

Report of Womens Work of Pyeng Yang Station-
1912-1913

- 16 - General Bible classes held by missionary ladies assisted by Korean women
 - 125 - Country Bible classes taught by Korean women
 - 1039 - women enrolled in the General classes
 - 4231 - women enrolled in Bible classes taught by Korean women
 - 152 - Sunday school teachers Normal class
 - 93 - Helpers Normal training class - women, selected and trained for the Bible class work and who taught such classes
 - 370 - women attending the Pyeng Yang city Bible class
 - 492 - women from country churches attending the P.Y. Spring class
 - 103 - women enrolled in the Bible Institute
 - 13 - graduates from the womens Bible Institute
- 6,480 - total number of women who studied from 6 days to 2½ months

"Be strong and work for I am with you" - Haggai 2:4

"I will proceed to do a marvellous work among the people".
Isaiah 29:14

A letter to the Des Moines Presbyterian Society - Pyeng Yang, Korea
Jan.22, 1913

I thought I was busy before furlough 2 years ago, but never did work pile up as it has since I came back, and the blessed promise has been verified to me, -"As thy days so shall they strength be."

It took all December to get over the cold I caught at the November Bible class. I got too tired, and I always contract a cold when I am so tired out. I had a dreadful cough for several weeks, but by Christmas I was almost myself again, so I have been making good this month.

Beside my regular work in our South Gate church, I have had to keep up with the country classes, praying for them, seeing that the Korean teachers from the city got off and the Bible classes were all supplied with teachers. I have taught one hour each day in the Womens Academy, the Junior class of 20 young women. I wish you could see them and hear them recite. They committed to memory a good part of I John. One of the best students is a hunch-back; another a blind girl from the Methodist school for the Blind.

I had a Bible class for 6 days in the South Gate church; 44 women and girls studied regularly. I know some of them did receive a blessing. They want another class in February. Nine years ago the South Gate, or 2nd Presbyterian church of Pyeng Yang, was organized. The territory all around it was then full of Koreans, in a rich valley. The church grew rapidly until the First River Valley church was set apart. Two years ago it was thought best to send off another congregation, and the new church was given in charge of Mr. Charles Phillips. The Japanese are buying out the Koreans and coming nearer and nearer to the church. Last Spring 14 families moved out which was a hard blow to the church.

In our South Gate church territory there have been great changes. Our church is now surrounded by the Japanese. I have to go over a mile to get to the church, and I nearly always walk. Since the first of the year the Session has had the men meet at 9:00 for Sabbath school, and the women and girls at 11:00, and asked me to take charge of the latter. I have 14 classes.

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The Men's winter Bible class is now being held. The Bible Institute began two months ago, and will close when this class closes. There will be 800 or 900 men altogether. We began on Monday to entertain the men from the Western Circuit in our home. Mr. Swallen began with the Bible Institute men first. While I was teaching my class, Kim and Fung-sunie took all the tables, stands and chairs from the dining and living rooms, spreading down extra rugs over the bare places. When I came home I found Will in the midst of 54 men entertaining them the best he could. He said, "Harry, come and play", so I got to the piano as quickly as possible and played hymns and sang for them. Then I would play some hymn and have them guess the song from the tune, which they did very well. Will told them a story which he heard in Palestine. We showed views of Palestine, too and that interested them. Refreshments consisted of cookies, apples and tea. An oriental shows how he enjoys his food by the smacking of his lips and the noise he makes while eating. Think of 54 men all at once trying to show their appreciation of the "feast", as they called it.

The next day the men of the Bible class from the Northern section of the Western Circuit were invited. Again the house was made ready. This time 100 came. When I rushed home, Will was almost in despair, how to entertain them, so I hurried to his rescue. We played and sang several hymns. The cook ran to the neighbors to borrow more bowls in which to serve the tea. The secretary came in and helped us serve, so everything went smoothly and they went away happy.

These 3 afternoons, trying to entertain 224 men, after the strenuous day's work, brought to our minds more vividly our longing for a victrola. As I think of the Bible classes and institutions of learning we have here in Pyeng Yang, the man hundreds of people we contact each year, I am more & more convinced we must have ways & means of entertaining these whom we invite to our home. The Koreans are exceedingly fond of music. About the first book they buy after they become Christians, is the hymn-book.

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My greeting to the Board of the Northwest is Col. 2:5 - "For though I am absent in the flesh, yet I am with you in the spirit, joying and beholding your order and the steadfastness of your faith in Christ."

I shall be thinking of you and praying for you. I begin to teach in the Womens Bible Institute April 1st, Galatians for 3 weeks, and Old Testament History 3 hours a week for the 2½ months. My plan is to spend as many Saturdays and Sundays in the country as I can. By going out on the train and walking 2 or 3 miles I can reach about 15 churches.

Our 10-day Bible class for the country women closed yesterday. Of about 450 enrolled 208 were from the Western Circuit churches. 8 women from the Sam-kol church walked 16 miles every day; they said they were tired the first day or two, but they soon got used to it. I had them all in for dinner one day. 3 of these 8 passed an excellent examination in the Gospel of John. How could one help but love such earnest women! I cannot say how much I do love them, and they know it. I know you would love them, too.

It is our custom for each missionary's wife to entertain the women of her husband's territory in their home for an hour or so, serving tea and cookies. I had 91 women one afternoon, and about 120 the next day. Miss Rogers brought over her victrola and played for them; they were

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delighted and I sang "Onward, Christian Soldiers" in Korean, while the victrola played it. Miss Rogers taught them singing and I played for her. We taught them "Don't stop praying", "Come to me all that labor", "There's a wideness in God's mercy" and "We need Thee every hour".

There were 7 Bible classes; 14 recitations a day, and each evening a lecture by a missionary or a Korean pastor. The women were very happy. In the 50 churches and group in our Circuit, and the South Gate church, there have been 54 Bible classes held, with a total enrollment 2,446.

Yours in the Master's Service,
(Mrs. W.L.) Sallie Swallen.

Pyang Yang, Korea - Jan. 6, 1913

My dear Sister,

After 1½ year of sojourning in America, Esther, Mary and I returned Oct. 10th to Korea. Only a furloughed missionary can know and feel the joy of such a warm welcome by both foreigners and native Christians upon returning to the work they love so well. Such was our experience.

We could not help but feel that the best part of the furlough was in coming back home. It was only by the strength and grace given from day to day by the Lord that I was enabled to get our 3 older children ready for boarding school, commit them to the Lord, place them in the best Preparatory school (as we think), turn our faces toward the Land of our Adoption and come back to Korea. For several weeks after returning I was able to do little else than receive and entertain Korean friends who came to welcome us back. It was well worth the time spent to sit down with them, hear their messages of love, joy and sorrow, and with a heart full of love rejoice or sympathize with them. Then prostrate ourselves together before the Lord in prayer. After praying together they always say, "Thank you so much for this opportunity of praying with me! It warms our hearts and draws us closer together in love and sympathy".

The first Sunday after returning I took up my assigned work at the South Gate church, where Mrs. Holdercroft had left it so well organized. The next week I had a meeting with the representative women of our Circuit who were here attending the Workers' Class.

We began at once planning for the Bible Class work in the Western Circuit, and they were completed when the 2 General Classes were held at the San Kol¹ churches. The General Class at San Kol was held Nov. 14; I went, accompanied by 3 teachers from the South Gate church. As we passed over the brow of the hill the fine new church stood out as a beacon light to the 13 villages which belong to this one country church. In some of these villages only one or two families believe, and in one of the largest there are as yet no believers at all. We cannot realize the utter darkness of such a village until we go into the homes of the unbelievers and meet the people face to face. What great opportunities for work are there! The officers realized this, especially in the work among the women. So they have hired a good woman, Mrs. Rosie Tonsin, to devote all of her time to this work. That is what we need in every church, - a good women-helper supported by the people themselves. I am working and praying for this.

I will not try to say how cold the weather is nor how chilly it was in the church, - it seemed to me that I froze! and never thawed out until I came home one week later.

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Our hearts got warmed up, however, a great many times during the Class, though our hands and feet were cold.

The Class was divided into 4 divisions, with 5 teachers. The 3rd and 4th studied Ruth and Heb. 10-12; the 2nd studied the Commands of Jesus, and I Thes; the 1st studied Mark 1-4, and the Catechism. Besides these studies there were devotional meetings, and 3 Practical talks on "Peace in the home", "Sabbath observance" and "Family Worship". Each morning half an hour was given to Prayer. A Class was started for Home Bible Study; 8 women promised to study faithfully the Gospel of John and complete it by taking an examination on it in the Spring.

An offering was received for Home Missionary work; also an offering of time given to personal work, when 368 days of preaching was pledged. 20 local Bible Classes were arranged for, teachers provided and lesson-sheets sent out. 4 lessons were given on the care of the body and physical culture. On Saturday afternoon there was house-to-house visitation and preaching in each village, giving out tracts and inviting women to come to church.

From Nov. 28 to Dec. 4 we held a General Class in Tomamie for the southern section of the Western Circuit. When they asked for the Class we were in doubt whether or not they were able to entertain so large a Class, as it was a weak church, but they did well, received much grace and a great blessing. About 40 of their women studied. Then they asked for another Class during the winter. The attendance was 173. They pledged 28 yen 40 sen (\$14.20 gold) for Home Missions and to help send a missionary to China. 2 Devotional meetings were held; in one the women had an opportunity to testify and tell what blessing they had received during the meetings of the Class. A great many were helped by the talk on Family Worship, and promised to have family prayers in their homes. 37 women joined the Home Study Class and will take the examination in the Spring. 27 local Bible Classes were arranged for, teachers chosen, and lesson sheets sent out to each church.

15,000 tracts were distributed, throughout the Circuit to be used by the women who had pledged days of personal work and preaching. 6 lessons were given on the Care of the body and physical culture. 536 days of preaching were pledged. 4 women promised one month, each. In the entire Circuit 904 days of preaching were pledged; this is equal to 3 years for one woman. It was encouraging to hear a Korean elder say, "The women will keep their pledge better than the men".

We are to have 3 General Bible Classes and 50 local classes for women during the Fall and winter in the Western Circuit and the South Gate church. There will be about the same number of Classes held for men during the first lunar month (February).

For the most part this same systematic Bible Study is carried on throughout Korea. Doubtless the real secret of success of the work in Korea is the continual study of God's Word and strict Sabbath observance. See Isaiah 58:13,14. God will honor His Word. John 5:39 II Timothy 2:15.

Yours in the Master's service,

(Mrs. W.L.) Sallie Swallen

This is my first attempt with the typewriter for several years. I trust the next will be better.

Lovingly, Sallie.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - Jan. 15, 1913

My dear Sister,

I am reminded that this is your birthday. Mary said, "Today is Aunt Jennie's 45th birthday" I asked her how she knew. She replied, "She was 44 last year". Many happy returns of the day! Your birthday present is wrapped up ready to send, and has been for some time but I couldn't take the time to go to the post-office to send it. We used to send a servant to mail things, but now they make it so hard for them that I don't like to send a Korean, but just go myself. I think I'll send it tomorrow. You will pardon the delay, and I hope you like the gift....a pongee cushion-cover. It goes with much love from us all, and with many good wishes.

This afternoon your letter of Dec. 18 came with a lot of mail. Christmas post-cards and letters from the children; they were very happy that school was so soon to close and they were to go away for the vacation. Now I am anxious to hear from them since they are back in school. William Baird is at Mt. Hermon now, making 7 boys, and 7 girls at Northfield from Korea. William took Korean candy and sweets to them so they will have a treat when he gets there. I also sent a pillow cover to Wilbur and one each to the girls. We 3 mothers here in Pyeng Yang (Mrs. Baird, Mrs. Dr. Hall and I) have much in common and enjoy reading our letters from the children to each other. Mrs. Hardie is coming to visit me next month; they have 2 daughters in Northfield, Gertrude and Grace. Our Gertrude seems very happy; Olivette says Northfield is doing wonders for her. She is learning to work as well as to study. And she likes her piano teacher and seems to be doing very well. All of Gertrude's letters are so cheerful, which is a great comfort to us. We are still undecided where they are to go to college, but we are thinking of Wooster. We have about decided that it is best for Olivette to go directly from Northfield to a Bible Institute for 2 years, and that if she still feels that she wants to take a course in nursing she can take it then. In her letter today she says, "My heart is quite set on Battle Creek" From all I have heard of it, it seems to me that would be a splendid place for a course in nursing. I really don't think she will ever be a regular nurse but I am hoping she will take a short course and get some training, which I think every mother should have. I have gotten mine, what little I have, by actual experience. We see some very sad things here which I believe are brought about either by neglect or ignorance. In our community now there is the dearest little boy so very sick, nigh unto death; I can't help but think if they had been on the alert and taken precaution before the disease got so bad, he might have been saved all of this suffering. He had tonsillitis about the time Esther had it, also ear-ache, and the doctor thought he had a form of diphtheria and gave him a dose of anti-toxin, then went away on his vacation and Dr. Hall took the case. She located the trouble very soon, an abscess behind the ear. Dr. Hirst came up from Seoul, and they operated successfully, but it had gone too far and the poor little fellow got blood-poisoning. It has gone into his leg and they are now having an awful time with him. He is Jamie Sharpe; his parents work in ChairYung and have come up to help care for him. He is one of the children in the school dormitory. Last term we had 9, but only 6 now, as Dr. and Mrs. Sharrocks of Syen Chun have had their girls stay with Mr. and Mrs. Morris. We have an English nurse for a Matron, until our new Matron comes in March. I go over every morning to help plan meals and straighten out the servants. She is doing fine and they like her.

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Dr. Hirst has come again today to see him, and Miss Shields, our best trained nurse in Seoul is here helping to nurse him. He is in the Methodist Women's Hospital, where Dr. Hall and Dr. Cutler are the physicians. They have a class of Korean girls studying medicine. 3 of our bright girls are there studying.

I am truly busy these days. I teach an hour a day in the Girls Academy (Soong Eui), teaching I John. I began a Bible Class in our Church today. Mrs. Morris takes my place in the dormitory until my class is over.

We have 180 men in the Bible Institute. The Mens winter Bible Class begins tomorrow. We are all very well.

Your package has not arrived yet. I wonder if you received our family picture sent from Winona Lake.

Lovingly, Sallie.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - Jan. 28, 1913

My dear Sister,

A few days ago the Christmas package you sent came. Many, many thanks. It was very kind of you to remember us so liberally. The little girls' caps are beautiful and so are the hair-ribbons; they wear them on Sunday. I shall enjoy the beautiful and useful bag and the bow and jabot will be nice with my Dutch collars; I shall enjoy wearing them. Gertrude sent me on, too, so I will keep up with the latest neck-wear.

Will sends his thanks for the neckties, socks and handkerchiefs. They are always useful. We were very well remembered and had a happy Christmas Season. Time certainly is going fast; it seems but a day or so since we came back. Wilbur said in his last letter that time was going fast for him, and if it kept on this way his school-life would be short. We received such happy letters from all 3 children. They were at Ella Waring's and were having a quiet, restful wholesome vacation. Eva Dise was there, too, a little younger than Wilbur. On New Years Day they were going to the George H. Jones' for dinner in Leonia, N.J. John Baird and Edward Adams were going, too, and all were going back to school together on Jan. 2nd. I am just waiting now for the next letter after they are in school again.

I received a letter from Mrs. Fitch of Troy, Ohio (Mother of Harriet and Abbie) repeating her invitation for the children to stay with her in Northfield during their summer vacation, renting a little cottage on the Ridge and live together. Olivette will work, and so will Wilbur. I think we will have Wilbur stay on the farm; farm-work will be best for him. How nice it would be if you could go to see the children sometime. Gertrude writes such good long letters and tells us everything and is very happy. It was kind of you to send them some "goodies". I guess Wilbur was glad it came late for he fell heir to it. Many thanks for all of your kindnesses to them.

I must bring my letter to a close. Will has invited his 10 Helpers here for supper so I will have to see after things to have them all right.

....Its now after supper; the Helpers were here and have gone. There were 11, for the Western Circuit Evangelist came with the others. I presume more than half had never been at a foreign table before. They did very well, though some were awkward. They all seemed to enjoy the food except one man; he minced over it, something like we do over their food. I had a good supper, I thought, - soup, meat loaf, mashed potatoes, carrots, gravy, salad, pumpkin pie and apples. We ate on the new extension table for the first time, with plenty of room.

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Will has invited 6 native Korean pastors for tomorrow dinner; they are from our territory and the South Gate church. Last week we entertained on 3 afternoons from 4 to 6 o'clock, all the men from the Western Circuit attending the Bible Institute and Bible Training class,- 224 altogether. I had our boy buy Japanese cookies, 6 or 7 kinds on each plate, an apple, and tea. We can serve 50 very well at once. I use little Japanese bowls for tea. Kim, our cook, borrowed bowls from our neighbors, so we got along very well. Tomorrow these 2 classes will close and in the evening the Presbyterial begins.

Yesterday I got my letters ready to send out to the women of the different country churches. Our secretary got 93 letters ready for me. We have a mimeograph and he does splendid work on it. I wish he could write English as well, but he doesn't know any English at all. I wonder sometimes how I am ever to keep up in writing my letters. I can never catch up. If I ever do I shall make an effort to answer all my letters right away. While I don't have to cook and wash dishes 3 times a day, I always have something to do, and the interruptions are constant. Some days there seems to be a continual rapping at the front door. I am so glad to have the people come; we would feel bad if they didn't. That is what we are out here for,-to help these people, in every way we can, even though it breaks in on our work at times.

Our hearts ache for those poor suffering men in Seoul. Pastor Keel came home yesterday; Will saw him last evening and says he feels very hopeful now. They are calling witnesses to testify this time. We are anxiously awaiting day by day to hear the final decision. It is said they have no fire in prison, night nor day; their friends send food every day, wash their clothes for them. Many of the men are men of means and are not used to hardship. It seems wonderful that they can stand all they have.....

I must close. I trust this will find you as well as it leaves us. Again thanking you for your kindness.

Lovingly your sister, Sallie.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - May 2, 1913

My dear Sister,

Your letter of March 30 came a few days ago. Many thanks. I was so glad to hear from you. It will be 2 weeks tomorrow since the 2 packages of shrubs came. When I came home from my Class I found them in the cellar-way, and I wasn't long getting them out and into water. Needless to say we are delighted. Just think! - slips of roses iris, and that beautiful Bird-cherry, right from home and even from Ohio soil! It did my heart good, just to see and handle them. I have planted them all in my seed-bed, so they will the best of care and attention and get a good start this summer. Then I can put them out early next Spring. They have started growing already. I do appreciate your kindness so much and want to thank you many times. I have made a rose bed in front of our house in a protected place, good for roses. Our yard is looking so nice this Spring, and we certainly enjoy it. I have enjoyed working in the garden, what little time I have. My peas are already to stake and cabbage and tomatoes almost ready to set out. The reason I am so busy all the time is that I am teaching 4 hours a week in the Bible Institute,-Romans, and have to prepare the outlines, questions and everything as I go alone. On Sat. p.m. I have a Sunday school teachers class of about 50 women, and 2 classes on Sunday.

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All that beside 50 and one things to do. Sometimes it seems to me there is a rap at our front door every few minutes, especially when I am trying to get out a lesson.

You will be surprised to know that Kim our cook has gone. He decided to go to the country on a farm. He has 4 boys (Yo-han, Yo-el, Yo-sep, and Yo-na) so that will be a good place to raise them. Will's country boy, Pyung-sunie, is a better cook than Kim, so we'll not miss him at all. Since we have running-water in the house and our family is small our work is much easier than it used to be. I don't try to entertain so much when I have so much work to do.

Dr. Charles Clark was with us for 26 days teaching in our Seminary, and we are expecting Mr. McCutcheon to be with us until June 15. From then until July 14 Harriet Fitch and Miss Swinehart will be with us for the Language class. Two weeks ago a party of Americans, Sunday school teachers on their way to Zurich, Switzerland, to attend the S.S. convention in July...29 of them came to Korea; 12 came to Pyeng Yang, others to other places, and all are to meet in Seoul for a big S.S. Rally. We entertained two of them, young women, one a Senior in Holyoke College....her whole family came, her father a lawyer in Pittsburg. They were lovely people and we enjoyed the girls. Mr. Heintz, pickle man of Pittsburg, was here for one day, such an old man....we were hoping he would leave \$10,000 for our Foreign School. He almost promised it, but when he got to Seoul he changed his mind and I think he didn't leave anything for the work in Korea. We need a dormitory for our Foreign school, and another teacher, so we can have 2 years of High school, then we could keep our children until they are 16 or 17. We hear that our new teacher to come out this Fall, is Miss Lucia Fish.

Well, here it is Monday and your letter not on the way yet. Will has been quite sick with the grippe...the doctor doesn't say what it is. He is better today but has a very sore throat. I have been all tired out today. I guess the walk to the South Gate church and back is a little too much for me.

I am rejoicing to hear all the good reports about the Billy Sunday meetings. I heard that Mr. & Mrs. Asher were at Trenton. I'm so glad to hear the good report about Johnstown. We continue to pray for Will. A letter from Ben told about Etta's new baby, Charles. Remember me kindly to all enquiring friends.

Lot of love to yourself,

Lovingly, Sallie.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - June 2, 1913

My dear Sister,

For a week or more I have intended to write, but my work has kept me too busy. I am coming to the end of my teaching in the Bible Institute,- only 4 more lessons, and then my work for the year is finished. I have taught Galatians and Romans to the 4th & 5th classes,-women who have studied for years and know how to ask questions. I think have never worked so hard, yet I have enjoyed it, and the study has done me good. What a wonderful and helpful book Romans is! We don't study and apply it enough to our own hearts.

The Bible Institute commencement will be next Tuesday, June 10. 12 or 14 women will graduate,- 2 are uncertain until their final grades are made out. One is 69 years old and I really believe she is going to pass. Think of exams in Church History, Isaiah, Romans, etc!

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She has really done very well; I think her lowest grade in my classes hasn't been below 50 or 60 is passing.

June 11 is the college commencement. There will be 33 graduates. Monday, June 9 is Field Day. On Tuesday, the Dedication of the new college building, and Bible Institute commencement. On June 13 the missionaries for the Language class come and they begin studying on the 14th. The Summer Conference for Helpers begins the same day, so that will be a very busy and full week for Pyeng Yang. The Language class will be held for one month, taught by older missionaries. I am hoping to take 2 classes a day myself if I can. I feel I need it bad enough. A year and a half away from the field was a great detriment to my language and I haven't yet caught up to where I was before we left on furlough. Korea is passing through a new era, - the language, the people, and many changes taking place. So many new ideas coming in now, and I find it almost like having to learn a new language.

Our work is harder all the time and the lessons require more careful study and preparation. I wish I had had a course in Bible Institute. I'm glad Olivette wants to take it. She is about persuaded to go to Wooster for a year or two, or maybe the full course. Wilbur is having a struggle about where to go to college. We want him to go to Wooster with the girls, and I think he will, but he wants to attend an Eastern college. No doubt they have written you about their summer plans. Wilbur is working in the Northfield Hotel, in the office until the middle of June and then he will be a Bell boy the rest of the summer. Olivette clerks in the auditorium book-store, and Gertrude will help Mrs. Fitch keep house, and fix up her clothes. Olivette has been taking sewing so she is able to help Gertrude and it is good for them to be put on their own responsibility and have to think for themselves. I am going to send some clothes from here. Gertrude is getting big and says she is kept busy keeping her clothes big enough. They have the use of a sewing machine. Olivette wants to graduate to graduate from Northfield in 1915. They seem to go on so slowly, but they are learning lots of things beside books. Ella Waring said some nice things about the children, especially Olivette, and that did my heart good. She wants them for the holidays again. It doesn't cost much for carfare to Newark, N.J. and they such a nice quiet time there. Did I tell you that Father Fisher passed away in January?

While I am writing Will has students from the college and Academy from our Western Circuit out on the tennis court doing all kinds of stunts and having a lot of fun from the noise they are making. I must go now and see about refreshments for them....cookies and tea.

Mrs. Forsyth wrote me that a victrola would be coming soon. We will be happy about that, certainly. I am wanting a post-card projector, too, just as soon as we feel we can afford it. It will be fine to entertain the Koreans with. There were 57 boys here this p.m. Last week we entertained 104 Bible Institute women and 192 Seminary men. So you see we really need something to interest them with. We must do this entertaining to keep near to the people; it means so much to them to come to our house. We are more & more inviting pastors and older Christians to our table to eat with us. Our food & customs are different from theirs, yet they learn to do very well and not make many blunders, not as many as we do with their chopsticks & food.

Why can't you come out in 1915 when you go to the San Francisco Exposition, and then return by way of Siberia? Or wait and come when we go home on furlough., and perhaps visit Italy and Palestine. We may take a short furlough in 5 more years when Esther & Mary are ready to go to America. Our Board has new regulations about furloughs.

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We can take a short furlough of 8 or 10 months, and not stay out 8 years, but only 5 or 6 as we choose. I never want to be so long away from the work again, and I never want to pack away our household things again. It seems I never will get all the things back in place again. I must do some papering and fix the floors, but I don't see when I can. We have had some guest since the middle of March, and now Harriet Fitch may stay all summer with us. But I must get it done sometime before Annual Meeting in September.

Will's country cook, Pyung-sunie is now our cook, but he doesn't like the confinement of cooking, so he will only stay $1\frac{1}{2}$ months more, then I will have to train in a new cook. It will be hard enough right in the hot weather. We have a good cow, and if we don't have guests we can get along with only a little cooking. Our Korean cow gives 6-8 qts a day of rich milk....even the cows are improving! Will told our man if the cow gave 3 qts a day he would give him 65 yen and if she gave 4 he would get 75 yen. We were amused when the man brought in 1 gal. in the morning and another gal. at night. I sell milk and don't try to make butter, except sometimes to have bettermilk.

I am so glad to tell you that nearly every bush and shrub you sent is living. We have 7 roses out of the 9, and all the lilacs and Rose of Sharon and iris and Bud-cherry, and climatis are living. I am delighted. I watch them every day and all through this drought they are all watered and cultivated so they can't help but grow. We had the first rose today for our table, and the first strawberries, too. Esther & Mary watch the patch for every ripe berry, and in a few days we'll have more than we can eat.

From this letter you will think I don't think of anything else but the house and garden, but not so. I enjoy them all and especially after hours of hard study. Well, I must close. With much love,
Your sister, Sallie.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - July 10, 1913

My dear Sister,

It really has been a long time since I have written. Your good letter of May 25th was received a week or so ago. No, I had not read about Mr. Ashbrook's death. How sad it was. For some reason The Independent does not come to us, and we certainly do miss it. What a blessing poor old Dave could go and be at rest. It ~~was~~ certainly be lonesome for Mr. Ashbrook, but only for a short time, and he will be going, too. Time goes on wings! I can't believe that the summer is almost half over, and really we have had no real hot weather yet. Plenty of rain, so the garden and crops are splendid. We have had the most delicious strawberries and cherries and other small fruits, red, white and black currants, gooseberries and raspberries. I have not only been canning for myself but also for the Foreign dormitory. In the midst of all this I have had 2 guests since May 13th, and attended the Language School which closed yesterday. Mrs. Baird told me over the phone that 93 studied. The school is for missionaries of all denominations in Korea to study the language. They have 4 grades of study, beside Japanese and Chinese. The teachers were Dr & Mrs Baird Dr. Reynolds, Mr. Erdman, and Mr. Becker. It is not only splendid for Language study, but for union of the missionaries to meet together in chapel every morning, beside evening prayer and testimony meetings. Musical concerts and a picnic on the 4th of July. We certainly did have a pleasant and a profitable month.

In the midst of it I left my guests to keep house; Esther, Mary

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and I went with Will to Chinampo over Sunday to install the pastor there. We left Sat. morning and came back Mon. morning. We went down by train. We can reach about 18 of our country churches from the train. And very soon there will be good roads so we can reach many more in a buggy. We are hoping to get a cart and a horse. We can drive very soon for the Japanese are building a fine road that passes our house, and connects with several other roads. We will be able to get in a cart and drive to the South Gate church very soon. Already the Japanese have automobiles connecting with trains in different parts of Korea. So traveling is not what it used to be. Mr. McMurtrie said he came from Chairyung to meet the train 40 li, which is over 13 miles and made it in a half hour.

The Koreans are learning many things from the Japanese, many which are very injurious to our work. We heard today that the remaining 6 men in prison in Seoul have at last been released. The trial was in Taegu. All is quiet and peaceful, as far as we know. Our work everywhere is very encouraging, and we trust and pray that the coming year may be a blessed one, not only a gathering into the church, but strengthening and quickening those who are Christians.

Will is exceedingly busy and will be most of the summer. He is getting out one year of Sunday school lessons in Exodus, and they have to be ready by the last of August. We are hoping to go up the river about July 23rd, for a week or 10 days rest. Will says he expects to work every day we are out. Anyway, he will be away so the Koreans can't find him. I only wish I could get him and the girls off and I could stay here and varnish and get the house ready for Annual Meeting. It begins about Sept. 14th. I have had guests since the 1st of March, so I've really had no time for fixing up the house.

The Montgomery Ward order has come with the floor varnish, so I'm anxious to get it done. You will be glad to know that nearly everything you sent (shrubs and bushes and flowers) are living, and they will be strong and healthy bushes to set out next Spring. My rose-garden will be a beautiful spot when I get all the roses in it. The roses that came in the box with the trees from Washington are giving us samples of their beauty. One is a pink rambler; I'm sure it will be as beautiful as the crimson rambler. One yellow rose is very much like the "LaFrance" and is a constantly blooming rose. I have 6 varieties of sweet peas, the finest I've ever had, and they seem to vie with one another to see which will be the most beautiful. That lovely basket you gave me is admired by everyone. A few days ago I filled it with 3 shades of sweet peas; it was so beautiful I sent it over to Mrs. Bernheisel who is just recovering from typhoid fever to cheer her up. My flowers cheer a great many people.

I trust your Will will be successful again in the nomination. We do not cease to think of him and to pray that he will give his heart to the Lord and be saved. I am soon mailing to you a picture of our house. Esther and Mary join in sending love; they are here at the table playing a game while I am writing.

Lovingly your sister,

Sallie.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - September 9, 1913

My dear Sister,

It seems so long since I have written or since I've heard from you, so I am now at last going to begin a letter. Esther, Mary & I are alone for Will has gone to Seoul to attend the General Assembly and other meetings which are being held there now. We went to bed so early last night I woke up early and could not sleep, so I got up and find it is now only 4:30. I'll have plenty of time to write before breakfast. The house is torn up all over; we are cleaning and varnishing and putting the house in order for Annual Meeting, which begins next Wed. I am to have 9 guests; 2 are to stay only a few days, but it all takes planning and managing. I really haven't had much time since I came back to clean, varnish and fix up as I wanted to. I had the papering done in June and now I had a carpenter to glue and mend up everything. We are staining and varnishing and making old things look like new. The piano tuner called last evening, so we'll even have the piano tuned and it will be in order, too.

Our Station property com. had our house painted outside, and soon we'll be fixed up outside and in. I have had all the grass cut and the yard and garden cleaned up, as well. We have had a splendid garden and plenty of fruit of all kinds. We'll have a very large crop of winter apples. For 1½ month we've had a night-watchman with 2 lanterns hanging in the orchard to keep the thieves away. They almost get desperate sometimes and even throw stones at him, but do not venture in. One big whoop from the watchman would raise the village near our house and they would soon be after the thief. So I feel pretty safe with a watchman awake all night. There is a great deal of thieving going on and I never knew there could be so many beggars. Food stuff and living prices are high, and so many people are really too lazy to work. The Koreans by the thousands are going to the North into southern Manchuria. They would flock into the United States if they could get away or could get into America. All of this restlessness is very hard on our Mission work. And yet the work goes on very encouragingly.

During the summer after the crops were all in and the weeding and cultivating done, so many of the churches in the country held Bible study classes and they were well attended. Will has had a full and busy summer. He promised the Sunday school com. to get out and translate the Senior S.S. lessons in Exodus for 1914. 50 lessons to be completed by the last of August. He had 2 secretaries all the time and part of the time, 3. The day he left for Seoul, Sept. 3rd, they were finished, and he took the 5 Vol. with him to be printed. Of course it won't be so big a bundle when it is printed. He had a picture taken of himself and his 2 secretaries in his study as they were working. We'll send you one.

Yesterday all the children in the community were much excited because our new teacher, Miss Fish, was to arrive on the p.m. train. She came with Dr. Moffett's 2 boys, Jamie and Charles. Dr. Moffett remained in Seoul. She is a cousin of Mrs. Moffett, pays her own way out and back, and teaches just this year for the same salary of a single woman. I haven't seen her yet. Mary was very anxious to see whether she wore glasses, because if she does she can see what the children are doing even with her back turned. Mary informed me, as soon as she got home, that Miss Fish does not wear glasses. We have a new Matron for the dormitory, Mrs. Lockett of Washington City, a member of the Metropolitan church, and supported by that church, I think. She is a very close friend of Aunt Mary Hill, and was very helpful during Uncle Ike's illness and a comfort at his death. She is lovely, and has such good common-sense. We feel we are truly fortunate to get her

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There will be 8 children this year in the dormitory, about as many as they have room for, but next year we hope to have a new dormitory built to accommodate about 30 children. We have about \$4,000 gold to put up the building; this will be built now, and as the school grows put up another wing later. All the parents are unspeakably thankful for our school, and we are truly fortunate to get Mrs. Becker to give our girls music lessons. She has begun giving lessons already for just half what we had to pay in Winona Lake, 50¢ a lesson. When Mrs. Lockett returns to America in 3 years I trust you can meet her. I have been helping her get the dormitory in order so I've learned to know her well. I am on the com. to see after the dormitory and school grounds.

During the summer I had over 100 qts of fruit put up, beside the jams and jellies; I have nearly all of my own cans full with pickles and apple butter - which we think is the best of all. We will have quite a few peaches to can, but only a few grapes. Our grape-vines froze down last winter.

I trust you own't think my time and mind are taken up entirely with these things of the "flesh". While these are important & necessary and must be done, yet I still have my Sabbath school classes and work in the country churches among the women, and am planning to teach in both the S.S. Teachers class and in the Normal class for Bible teachers. I want to go to the country, too, for 3 or 4 classes this Fall, if our girls can stay in the dormitory while I'm away.

I have started a Cradle Roll and Primary Dept. in our S.S. at the South Gate church. Mary is so interested in it she wants to go every Sunday. She helps gather the little ones up and see that they are in their proper places, and helps the teacher, too. If the children sit quietly during the class, she gives each one a flower or some candy. She has been quite successful at it. Esther helps some, too, but she doesn't seem to take to it like Mary does.

I see it is beginning to get light so I will have to close. I wonder if the girls at Northfield are writing to you. They have been rather negligent this summer in writing home. I told them they must not neglect to write to you. Olivette and Wilbur have had such long hours of work that they have had little time to themselves. Wilbur has had a lot of experience this summer at the hotel that we feel has been for his good. He said he might possibly go to Wooster next Fall. Olivette hasn't said lately what she wants to do after Northfield, but she does want to stay and graduate there. We gave her our permission. She is getting many things not in books that are helpful to her. Wilbur says Gertrude is house-keeping at their cottage and doing many different things, and is getting a lot of experience; she seems to be the tennis player. Their letters are all so full of cheer and they seem so happy that its a great comfort to us.

Remember us kindly to Will and to any others who inquire about us.

With much love to yourself,

Lovingly your sister,

Sallie.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - Oct. 20, 1913

My dear Sister,

Your letter of Aug. 29th was received a few days ago. It seems a long time since I have written, but my hands are full these days. After Annual Meeting was over we only had a few days until the Class for Sunday school teachers began. I taught Romans to the highest division, and went into each class with dear and trembling when I saw so many of the older women who have already studied so much. But I buckled down to the hard study and got out my lessons and had such a good study with the women. There were 230 enrolled. We had about 60 women from our Western Circuit and the South Gate church. I had them all in our home one afternoon for a reception and served Japanese cakes, apples and tea. I put a scarlet dahlia on each plate which pleased them very much. I always try to have both men and women come during their Bible Classes, for it is one more happy spot in their dull lives.

At the Minister's Meeting several weeks ago we gave a dinner for both the foreign and native ministers. There were 29 in all. I had tables set in 3 rooms, and served a regular 4-course dinner. They seemed to have a good time.

The Sunday school Class closed last Tuesday and on Friday I began teaching in the Workers' Class. They are picked women who are here to take a Training Class for teaching the Fall and winter. There are just 100 of them. I have the whole class in the Gospel of John. I teach the lesson one day and the next day one of the women teaches it, as it is supposed to be taught in the local classes. for one half hour. The others listen and afterward make suggestions and criticize her. After that I teach the next lesson. Tomorrow I give a talk on the "Care of the Body". My, how I dread it! I have the outline all made out, but it is so hard for me to give it.

Will is in the country all the time now, and will be until Christmas. I am hoping to be able to go out for 4 country classes this Fall. The girls will stay with Mrs. Baird while I'm away. She and Dr. Baird are all alone, - 2 boys in Mt. Hermon and one in Cheefoo School, so she'll be glad to have Esther and Mary with them.

The girls take piano lessons from Mrs. Becker, but the lessons are very irregular. Mrs. Becker has been in Seoul for several weeks. When they miss lessons they lose interest. Miss Fish and Mrs. Lockett our new teachers, are just fine. Mrs. Lockett is Matron in the dorm. and also teaches 6 periods a day beside. She is a very capable woman and so well fitted for the place. Esther is doing very much better in her studies this year; it is very hard for her, while Mary gets along easily in school. I get so little time to help them.

I have started a Primary class in our Sabbath school, children 5 to 6 years of age, little tots who have never known what it is to sit down and be quiet. Esther & Mary help to get them gathered up and to keep them quiet. At the close if they had been good they get candy. Yesterday they had 23. Esther gathered the roll-books for me and counts the women; they are so helpful and I like to have them with me, as much as I can. We have a gentle horse and when we get a buggy, riding to the South Gate church will be a pleasure, especially for the girls. They are just wild to ride him. He is an Australian horse, as gentle and quiet as can be. It really does seem good to have a big horse around, but think! when we have a buggy and can go riding on these good roads we will scarcely believe we are in Korea.

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The Japanese are building good roads all through the country. It won't be long until good roads are all through our Western Circuit. This is Tuesday evening. I didn't have time to finish last evening Esther & Mary are busy with their arithmetic lessons, which usually takes all evening. They certainly do have to work hard for children. But its good for them.

This has been a busy day for me. I taught my class at 11:00 and had a talk to the women this afternoon, and then gave them a demonstration lesson in exercise. For several days I will drill the class in exercises of the body for good health. I wish you could take a course of such lessons from Mrs. McIntyre. I am sure they are doing me good. I feel so well most of the time, only when I am so over-worked and rushed I get tired.....

I am wondering if our children write to you. They were negligent writing home during vacation, but now that they are back in school with regular work (for which I am so glad) their letters come more regularly. It was a rather busy and strenuous summer for Olivette and Wilbur. They seemed to have a happy time. Already I am beginning to think about their vacation next summer. I am wondering if it would be too much for you to have them. I know it is asking too much of you but maybe they could help you and not make it too hard. I am sure their clothes will need going over and new ones made. I have all their underwear made out here and will see that they have enough. Maybe Olivette and Wilbur will want to work again next summer, but we will not want Gertrude to, for I would rather she would be with you. I feel sure she needs a motherly hand to guide her a while.

Mrs. Baird is expecting to take their son Richard and Ben Adams, her brother's son, to America next summer, and spend the summer in Northfield, rent a cottage and keep house. Mrs. Baird is delicate in health and frail, and she could never stand to have a big family to care for. With our children, too, it would make a family of 8. Please write and tell me if it will be convenient for you to have the children stay with you, but I do not want you to stay at home if you are thinking of going any place during the summer. We can plan some way for them. I trust they do not neglect writing to you; if they do you must give them a good scolding. When they get to Wooster you can see them more often and keep in closer touch with them.

This is the first cold day we've had. My poor flowers will surely feel the cold tonight. I never saw more beautiful dahlias anywhere. Everyone is surprised to know they grew from seed. The cosmos are a beautiful mixture of white, pink and red blossoms, and the roses continue to bloom,-I have 3 lovely buds of the yellow rose now on our side-board. I must close or you will tire of this long letter.

I received a letter and 7 baby-pictures from Cozette the other day I trust you've had a pleasant, restful summer.

We all join in sending kindest regards to Will.

With much love, Sallie.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - December 12, 1913

My dear Jennie,

It seems ages since I have written to you. I have been in the country so much this Fall; I left Oct. 27 and finished up my last Class and came home Dec. 15th. Of course I was not away all the time, but came home at the close of each Class to get my washing done, get my food boxes replenished, and get the girls fixed up so I could leave them during my absence. They stayed with Mrs. Baird, except when Will was at home, and that was very little. He is still in the country, and is now holding a Circuit Bible Class, and arranging for Classes in each church for the men, as I did for the women.

I had 4 Classes; 3 united classes and one local Class at Chinampo. They were all well attended. In the last Class were over 200 enrolled. In the 4 there were altogether 512. In the highest division, the 3rd, 78 women studied; in the 2nd there were 98, -so large we had to divide it into 2 sections. When an offering of "days of preaching" was given there were nearly 5 years work for one person contributed. I took the names and number of days pledged....some promised 30 days, some half that, some ten, five, etc. 100 women gave their names to join the Home Study Class and study Luke this winter. During the summer the Home Study Class studied Matthew, and have sent in their examination papers and we are now looking them over. Some have splendid papers, while others are very poor. Nevertheless it shows the effort they have made. So many of the women are just learning to write as well as read. Sometimes I have them write the Memory verse instead of repeating it. I taught 1 John in the 1st Class and James in the last 3 Classes. What a good study we did have together!

Will says he finds all the churches in good condition, with great opportunities for work. So many people are zealous both in giving their time and their money for the Lord. All Fall the weather has been perfectly delightful, -no snow yet and not very cold, just ideal for country work. I am hoping it will continue this way while the Bible Classes are going on. I arranged for over 50 local classes to be taught by women who are trained in the Bible Class in October. This week 11 Classes will be going on at the same time in different churches.

The College and the Seminary have a Missionary Society and send out young men to preach and to do personal work. The Academy closed today; they are sending out about 40 young men for one week, and when the College closes they will send out the college boys, too.

On Saturday evening I had all the young men from our Western Circuit here for half an hour; not for a social time but to sing and pray together and then we gave them tracts and exhorted them to do all they could while at their homes to give out the Gospel to unbelievers. I had intended to have refreshments, but Esther & Mary both had been sick all day, so I could not do it. But I gave them each a big apple and that certainly pleased them.

I have sent out to our circuit 20,000 tracts, and am having 50,000 more printed. This is the opportune time for work, and we must enter in now while the doors are so wide open to give the people the Gospel. You will see by Mr. Whittemore's article in the Mission Field that thousands and thousands of Koreans are going north into Manchuria and into China.

..... I was interrupted and did not get to finish this letter. The girls are still sick in bed, with high fever, -Esther's was 104. But it's normal now, and we hope both will soon be well again.

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This is the last week before their vacation. The school is to give a Cantata on Thursday afternoon, so of course they want to go, for they have a part in it. They are kept so busy, I never saw any children work harder than they do. Its easy for Mary to learn but not for Esther, who is happiest when she can sew or do anything with her hands.

Your letter of Nov.16 came today. I was so glad to hear from you, and it certainly was a good newsy letter. I have read it over several times. I have been reading about the dreadful storm you had in November. How different here! we have had no snow yet. It is much colder now and looks as if we might have snow,- maybe for Christmas! I am so happy to hear about your Sabbath school and church work. Praise the Lord! It would be so good if all of Johnstown would get stirred up and be saved. It seems strange why Add should be willing to live that way. Oh if he would only come out and take a stand... and enjoy life as you say Ben and Bert seem to be doing. Yes, I did hear that Forest and Tinsie call their baby-girl Jennie Belle, and I think that is fine. I hope they will call her by both names.....

I am sorry our children do not write to you. I think sometimes they neglect to write home, or their letters are lost in the mails. I have a good many anxious moments about them. I try not to worry, for of course there is no use in that and only shows a lack of faith. Wilbur will stay at Mt. Hermon until school closes in July and then he will go to Ohio. Gertrude is so anxious to go to you next summer and if it is not too much I wonder if you have them both. They could both work and help you. I feel sure they need a guiding hand over them for a while. If you have other plans, please say so. They will want to stop at Alliance and Canton for a little visit with their uncles and aunts there (Swallens) We are not sure, but think perhaps Wilbur can be with his uncle Chris on the farm for most of his vacation. The children have had a strenuous life at Northfield and Mt. Hermon and I am sure a more quiet domestic life would be much better for them. They seem to keep pretty well. Wilbur has to wear glasses, and Olivette says she's so tired much of the time. Mrs. Baird says that John is not very well; she is going there next summer to take their youngest son Richard, and nephew Ben Adams. It really makes me homesick for our children to think of it. Dr. Baird will stay here alone, and she expects to be away for 6 months. Maybe I can do that when Esther and Mary have to go to America.

I am wondering when you and Will are coming to see us. It would be a fine trip for you and I'm sure you would enjoy it. Yes, I saw Will's report in The Independent. The paper comes regularly now, many many thanks. I am always so glad to read it, for its almost like a visit back in Johnstown.

Esther and Mary will write to you and you'll be surprised to see how they've improved. I must close. The house has grown cold and now I must go to bed. This will reach you just about in time for your birthday (Jan.15) so I'll wish you many happy returns of the day.

With much love, Sallie.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - Jan.5, 1914

My Own Dearest Olivette,

Yours and Gertrude's letters came last week. Your letters of Dec.7, mailed Dec.11, came today; also Wilbur's of Dec.12 came today. Esther's and Mary's books came also, and Father's "Mr. Pratt" from Gertrude, but my package has not come met. I certainly hope it won't be lost; I haven't opened the little note yet which says, "Do not open until all the packages have come". It ought to be coming along now any time. Aunt Jennie was kind to send us so many nice things. I think I told you about them last time I wrote. Our Christmas presents we gave away were very simple. Of course, all I sent to America I sent in November. I hope the \$10.00 I sent each of you came in good time to get you some warm things, but really I was sorry I could not get time to get them ready, and to send the box of candy off so late, but it will taste good when you do get it.

Yisie is sewing for Mrs. Baird now; when she comes back I want to get at the waists and things. Tell me if the little embroidery bags reached you safely. I sent them letter-post on purpose to see if they reach you and you do not have to pay postage nor duty on them. I can send small articles that way, and it will save you paying duty. I am so anxious to send things by Mrs. Baird but I fear she won't feel like taking them. She has decided to go by the Pacific, and will be leaving here Feb.22, or about that time. Mr. and Mrs. Gillis are to live in Dr. Baird's house and board him. They are now at Mr. Holdcroft's, have two rooms there/ They came New Years Day. Harriette Gillis does look so bad, so thin. I haven't seen the baby yet. She could improve her looks so much if she only would wear long cleeves and high neck. I do not object to a respectable low neck and short sleeves in summer; it is sensible then, but not in winter. I do hope you girls will not dress that way. It really does not show good judgment.

I have just come from a Korean wedding and feast, a very select crowd of foreigners, Mrs. Baird, Miss Best, Miss Snook, and myself were invited. The ceremony was at the 4th church. Mr. Blair performed the ceremony. The bride was a niece of one of the elders, the richest man in the church. She was married to a man of rank from Taiku, a lawyer, I guess. It's my private opinion from the look of the man that she had better have gone on with her education and let the man alone. She is a Senior in the Academy and was not allowed to wait until the close of this term when she would graduate. They seemed very happy over the match. I heard one woman telling how many bolts of silk and cloth she got. Mrs. Baird and I went together. She was telling me about the letter she received from John yesterday. How glad she will be when she can be with them, the boys. She said she had written for "Sunny Shadow" cottage. By your letter you are planning to stay in Northfield next summer and work. You will have received my letter advising you to go with Gertrude to Ohio to Aunt Jennie's, to spend your vacation sewing and helping Aunt Jennie. Don't you think that would be best? Of course you can't work and make money, but you can have a quiet rest, sew and read and be much better prepared for your work the next year/ That is my advice to you, to go with Gertrude when school closes. I can't imagine what you will think when you get our letters about Wilbur and Gertrude going to Wooster next year, but Father and I have thought it over for a long time and we feel that will be better. You stay at Northfield another year and graduate, then go to Wooster for one or two years, or for the whole course if you want to

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Then take a Bible Institute course. Then you will be fitted for any Mission field, just as the Lord leads.

Gertrude will go into Westminster Home AT Wooster and enter wherever she can in school. We feel she will save at least one year, and so will Wilbur. We want Gertrude to keep up her music right along if she can. She has been thinking and talking about dropping it at Northfield, but if she does she will probably not take it up again. It is certainly hard to plan and advise from this long distance. But you children do know that Father and I both want in everything just the best for your good. We do not want to make a mistake. If it is best in every way for Gertrude to stay there (Northfield) why then of course we would want her to stay, but as we have thought it out it will be better in the years to come. She will get used to the ways of Wooster and the teachers and it will be easier for her in college. And then I feel sure she needs Aunt Jennie to take some supervision of her and her clothes. Oh! I wouldn't make a mistake for anything in the world, and I wouldn't want you children to be unhappy. We will trust it all to the Lord and I know He will lead aright and make no mistake.

Tuesday evening.

This afternoon the mailman brought two packages which we have been waiting for so long. Everything came in fine shape. The packages did look so neat, with the white paper and Xmas ribbon. It was so sweet of you to remember us so liberally. I love the little things and they do come in so handy. If it wasn't for you and Aunt Jennie I would never have collars and these little things which add so much to one's comfort. Many, many thanks my own sweetheart! That beautiful handkerchief with the embroidery in the center (I am sure you must have done it), and the belt will come in handy and all the other things. I will let Father thank you for his things, also Esther and Mary will write just as soon as they can find time. Poor little chicks, they are so rushed at school that they don't have any time for anything.

I must close and go to bed. I have a bad cold and feel horrid.

Wednesday Morning - 9 a.m.

The girls have gone to school; I have worked with Esther over her lesson until I am all outdone. She just keeps failing until I am afraid she will have to go back. I was appointed by the Mission at the Annual Meeting to help in ~~the~~ Class at Seoul which I have given up because we feel that Esther just has to be helped. The month I was here last Fall and jelped her she passed in everything, and when I spoke to Miss Fish about going to Seoul she said, "Don't you worry about Esther; I will see that she gets on alright". But when she failed in four lessons then Miss Fish acknowledged that she did not do as much for her as she should and might have done. Esther reminds me of you when you were her age. She doesn't have a grip on herself, or know how to control her mind. She doesn't care a snap about reading and of course can't read at allwell. These teachers, Miss Fish and Mrs. Luckett give such long lessons that it is almost impossible for her to get them. If you children had had such lessons when you were here in school I am sure you could not have done as well as these children. I intend to see them both, maybe today, and see if they intend to pile on the work as they have begun the last two days; if they do I think I will have both the children drop abck in the 4th grade, for we are really fearful for Mary as well as Esther. Yesterday they had 60 words in Spelling, a review but even that was too much.

This is a fearful cold day; the windows are all frosted.

I forgot to say it is ~~either~~-not either Esther or Mary's allowance you are getting. We ordered the Board to send you that amount each month.

Lots and lots of love,

Mother.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - Jan.11, 1914

My Own Dearest Gertrude,

I wrote to you so late in the week last week, and have received no letter since, and have written all the news to Olivette which you will read and there is no use to repeat. Father has written his letter, but Esther and Mary have not yet. They had to go to bed as soon as they got Olivette's finished. Can you imagine you see our dining room table all covered with books and writing material, etc. Father is looking over his lesson on Daniel. He has been home all day resting, trying to get strength for the coming week, for it will be a full one. The Class closes on Wednesday, but the Bible Institute goes on for two weeks longer. Father teaches two classes on the Bible Institute, so his work will go on.

There are over 200 men in the two. Sometimes it seems the whole country has come in when the men are out on the road. I don't have any classes this month but will have two next, and the country Class from the 1st of March for two weeks. The Bible Institute begins the last of March and I have promised to teach in it, will teach I and II Peter and The Revelation. Yisi is back now so I will begin your dress tomorrow, will try and get Mrs. Baird to take them if she has room in her trunk. It will make a nice Spring dress. I want to do a lot in the next two weeks. When the Classes are on I can't do much, and especially now since I have to help Esther. She never can keep up alone, poor chicken, the teachers just pile on their lessons, so if she is to keep on in her grade I will have to help her through.

It is now 10 o'clock, so I must close and finish in the morning.

Wednesday Morning - and I haven't your letter finished yet.

Your letter of Dec.15 came just a few minutes ago. Glad for your account, it looks well kept. We are filing them and I hope you won't miss one month. I have read and re-read your letter. I am so glad you girls and Wilbur can be together, and it will be so nice for you all to go through college together. I have written to Aunt Jennie and she is expecting you both and asks that Wilbur come, too. I have written all about it in other letters so no use to repeat now. I think Father wrote for you to drop piano for this term, but that does not mean that you are to drop it for good. I trust you will be careful of your money. I can tell you we have to be careful. I wish you had written more fully about your going to Ella Waring's. You said "we", so I could not tell whether that was just you and Olivette or others going with you on the train and then by boat. Yes, indeed, it is terribly foolish for girls to be traveling at night; something I do not approve of. And this trip is uncalled for because you can make it so easily by train in the daytime. I suppose Olivette will explain why you are going that way. You could not have gotten my consent if I had been there, to travel after night. Certainly you must have gotten someone's consent, or do you all do just as you please? I wonder sometimes if you girls do have someone to go to and can talk things over, and get the head teacher's permission. You never say, and it always seems to us that you do pretty much as you please. I won't worry, but I will certainly be glad when I know you are back in Northfield safely again. Oh! dear, I have to wait a month!

Really, Gertrude, are you wearing that thin Korean silk of Olivette's this winter? Don't you have anything else? I can't understand why you did not write and tell me and get me a warm dress. You know very well why you do not get the pongee; it is all your own fault. After this I hope you will be more prompt and then you won't have to wait so long. I wish you could have had it for the holidays, but you understand I could not make it. I am just going to cut it out. I have cut out two shirts for Wilbur, will make your dress and Olivette's waists right away. What are you doing with your old clothes? I wrote for you to send me the cream serge and the blue one if you can't use them. If you and Olivette would save up all of your old clothes and when you get time during vacation cut and sew them and have a

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rug made for your room at school. I can't bear to think of things being carelessly thrown away. What would I do without the rag-rugs we have? We could not go with bare floors; I have them all over the house. I shall begin to cut and sew for other rugs just as soon as the women can get time. Yisi, our woman who washes and iron has a very sick boy so she can't work all the time.

I am wondering, Gertrude, if you are wearing long-sleeved underwear, and if you are dressing warm. I am distressed to see the way the women dress these days. More pride than anything else! Why can't women dress sensibly as the men and have good strong bodies?

Well, I must close. Father and I are invited to Mrs. Hall's for supper this evening.

Lots and lots of love, Mother.

Pyang Yang, Korea - Jan.11, 1914

My dearest Olivette,

I think I wrote after your letter came last Monday.. What a busy day we did have! Father has just rushed every minute. He is teaching Daniel and The Revelation in the Bible Institute, besides Committees and conference all the time, and until midnight some nights. There are nearly 1,000 men here studying now in the Class and the Bible Institute of 2 months. So, of course, now is the time to decide many things of the church.

I have been finishing up the Home Study of Matthew, sending the papers back, writing a letter to each church. There were 333 women who gave in their names, but only 142 have sent in written answers. There were nearly 100 who got over 70%. I am now getting out the questions on Luke, and will send them out by these men; I have over 100 in our territory who are studying Luke at home this winter.

Friday p.m. at 4 o'clock Father entertained the men from the Northern section; 112 came. They did enjoy the Grafonola so much. I served cookies, one apple, and all the tea they could drink.

Yesterday morning I began bathing Edith Emma Blair. Miss Campbell had had the job from the first but she had resigned it to me, which I thoroughly enjoy. Mrs. Blair is so well, and the baby will be 2 weeks old on Tuesday, so I fear I won't have a chance very long to bathe her. She is a little beauty! I wish you could see Antoinette and Edgar, they are so cunning. Antoinette is so bright, a chatter-box!

Yesterday all the ladies of the community were invited to take dinner at 12 o'clock with the Japanese Governor's wife, Mrs. Matsumaga. She had a great many Japanese ladies invited, too. Nearly all our ladies were there.

She is a lovely woman, educated in a Christian school, but does not make any profession of faith, I think. She and her husband are both favorable to Christianity, they say. She gave the dinner in a Club House, had long tables with white cloths, one dish of oranges, a plate of little wafers and candy, and a centerpiece which was a small pine tree, -that was all that was on the table. They served a regular Japanese dinner, all served in trays. After dinner they passed around numbers and then gave out little presents which caused a good many laughs; then they entertained us with music, a Japanese kind of harp and violin. Then a small boy did some kind of fencing. I came home before it was all over. I suppose now I will have to make a call. I will try and get someone to go with me for I never could go alone.

I came home and helped Esther with her lessons which she had not done in the morning. She certainly has done much better this past week, but my! she has had to work. The two teachers give such long lessons. It seems to me they don't realize these are only little children. You children never worked anything like they have to.

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Esther and Mary had their bath and were just getting ready for bed when we heard the most awful yelling outside. It seems to me these Koreans can beat anyone yelling. I thought there must be thieves in the village in front of our house, when I happened to look over toward the Lee house and saw flames. I thought the dormitory was on fire, but found it was what used to be the Lee's stable. It was filled with lime and some timbers from Mr. Lee's guest-house. Mr. McMurtrie saw the fire when it started, but he could not get water quick enough to put it out. There wasn't much loss. The old shed went and some timbers, but quite exciting for a time. A lot of people went to see it as the old shed burned, someone said there were about a thousand. It was late when we got to bed. And it was late when we got up, so we didn't have breakfast until after 9. We do that way now, have a late breakfast on Sunday morning, and then do not have any dinner. Kimsie does not come back until just in time to get supper. I went to church alone, as the girls went to the foreign Sunday school today. I think I will not have them go with me for a while. There is so much sickness among the Koreans, mostly the grippe, I guess.

This morning there were 247 women and children in the S.S. I stayed for the afternoon church service and went to see two who were sick., one between the services, and one on the way home. Father and the girls went to the foreign service. Mr. Morris preached, they said.

Can you imagine you see us around the dining room table? Esther, Mary and I are writing; Father is reading. Mrs. Luckett has started a Christian Endeavor at the dormitory every Sunday evening which takes the children away, so we miss the pleasant evenings we used to have. Do you remember what a good time we used to have? Father and I are debating whether to keep them at home. We think that they are too small to be going so much, and yet the little meetings they have are good for the children.

I am thinking of you children as back in school again. I trust, Olivette, that you will apply yourself closely to your studies, and don't try to do so many things, and go to so many things. Now is the time to stick close to your work and make good. Don't get displeased if things don't go to suit you. Pray and trust, and the Lord will help you every time. He will help you over all the hard, rough places. Just this minute the thought came to me - why not pray over your lessons every time you go to study; when you sit down to study just ask the Lord for help. He'll do it if you will only ask in faith. "Increase our faith, O Lord!" is my prayer. I am praying for you all the time. May God's richest blessing be upon you every moment.

With lots and lots of love, Mother.

I wish you would send me right away your measurements and a pattern, and let me make you a pongee dress with oriental embroidery, on the cuffs and collar Mr. Bell was just in and asked to be remembered to you children.

Pyeong Yang, Korea - Jan. 25, 1914

My Own Dearest Olivette,

It has been 3 weeks since your last letter came; it really seems ages to me since we have heard from you; and 2 weeks since Gertrude's last letter came, and one week tomorrow since Wilbur's. I can stand one week and even two comfortably but when it comes to three I get awfully "top-top-hao" (distressed). Oh! if you children would only make up your mind to write every Sunday Evening no matter what else there is... Wilbur used to write every Sunday, but so many times he doesn't now, or else the letters are lost. Everything you and Gertrude sent came except the dolls you spoke of. I wonder if you sent them or if they were lost.

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Wilbur did not say he sent anything. I wonder if he did. If he did it has not reached us yet. Sherwood Hall remembered us with a card. I am so glad you children remembered the missionaries; so many spoke so nicely of you children. Mrs. Bernheisel said she wrote you all three a letter. I haven't written Sherwood yet, but I must. I wrote you how generously Jennie remembered us; Etta sent a remembrance, also Ella and Essa. The ladies of Iowa sent a shower of letters and Christmas cards. I have written my Narrative Report and will acknowledge their greetings with a copy. I mailed a copy yesterday to you and Gertrude. It is so hard to get a good copy on the stencil paper. I wish we had some way of printing so I could send something neater.

I haven't written to you and Gertrude for 2 weeks. It was late in/week the week before last, and last Sunday afternoon Father preached so I went to the English service, and then in the evening we went to the dormitory to the little Endeavor meeting they have. There was no time to read or write.

Things have been going about the same. The men's winter Bible Class closed the last of last week. There were 736 in the Class. The Bible Institute closed last Friday; there were 230 men in that. We entertained all the men from the Western Circuit at 3 different times; almost 300. They did enjoy the Grafonola. How we wish we had some Korean records! If only Dr. Gale and Mr. Hulbert would sing and make records so we could get them. The Koreans would enjoy them so much. I served, cookies, apples and tea. How nice it is that we can have apples to give them! Our apples are keeping splendidly. We have sold 465 just lately and will have 500 or more to sell. We give away lots of them, mostly to the Koreans. They come sometimes to buy them for the sick but I always give them apples and sometimes grape-juice.

This last week I have been sewing, what spare time I could get. I have made Wilbur 3 shirts, you a white silk waist, but I fear it is too small. I certainly hope not. I made it with short sleeves because the silk was so thin, and the neck has a low collar. I made Gertrude one out of the silk of her old silk dress. I have her dress cut out and fit once, and ready for the second fitting. I find Mrs. Mowry is about Gertrude's size. I had the embroidery man put oriental embroidery on the cuffs and collar, and trimming it with green covered buttons. I think there is enough for you a dress, and since you want a waist why not a whole dress? If you had only sent me your measurements I could cut it out at once. I think I will anyway and fit it on Miss Plummer (now, Mrs. Phillips) She looks as if she is about your size. I think I can send them all with Mrs. Baird. They are leaving Feb.14 and expect to reach Northfield by April 1. If you want me to make you any clothes you must tell me on ahead so I can have time to get them ready. Then I can send them by someone who is going to America.

My time is so taken up and there are so many interruptions that it takes so long to get anything done. So I must have plenty of time. Nearly one year ago I wrote you girls to send me patterns and measurements. but they didn't come until I was deep in the Fall's work. All the Class work is going on splendidly/ The South Gate church Class begins in the morning, and country Classes begin on Tuesday, and the City Class 2 weeks from tomorrow, Feb.9, The Spring Bible Class for country women begins March 7. I am to teach the "Life of Christ". The Bible Institute begins the first of April. I am to teach I & II Peter and The Revelation. If it wasn't for Father's outlines and the help I can get from him I could never consent to take it.

I must close and get to bed. Please do write. I think I will send money enough for stamps for one year, and then you will have to write.

Lots of love, Mother.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - Feb.1, 1914

My Dearest Olivette,

It seems so strange to be alone. Father went to the South Gate church to preach this evening. Esther and Mary went to the dormitory to the Christian Endeavor meeting, so Puss and I are alone. We have the nicest old Puss. She used to be the Becker's cat. They let the Blairs have her, but she stays here. I am the only one who feeds her, and she always asks me for her food. She is such a nice cat.

Your letter written at Newark, N.J. (no date, but mailed Dec.29) came last Monday. I see you write your letters and leave them around not mailed and that is the reason we don't get them for so long. We haven't received Gertrude's letter yet, but we received Wilbur's written after he got back to Mt. Hermon. He never has said that he received the money we sent. And you did not either. Did you get it? and what did you use it for? I think I told each to get some warm winter clothes. I sent to you and to Gertrude each a little embroidered bag. I am anxious to know if you received it alright and if you had to pay duty. I will send other small things that way, in a sealed envelope with letter postage. I am so anxious to send some things by Mrs. Baird but since she is only going to take a steamer trunk and a box, I fear she can't take the things I have - 3 shirts for Wilbur, a waist for you and Gertrude, and a pongee dress for each. After I cut out Gertrude's there was enough for your dress so I cut it out and fit it on Mrs. Phillips. I am not going to sew up the side seams, you will have to do that or take it to a dressmaker. The cuffs and collars are embroidered. Mrs. Baird and Richard can take 700 lbs. of baggage. If she can't take them maybe Miss Best can but she doesn't leave until April 3, by way of Europe. I may even have to send them by parcel post, and if I do I'll send the money for duty.

The past week I have been going to the South Gate church every day, until Saturday. About 12 women met every morning for prayer and then went out preaching. Today I taught a class of 15 women. The secretary's report showed an attendance of 414 men, women and children today. In the Primary class there were 38 little tots. In the morning the Bible Class begins. I have teachers enough so I do not expect to teach any, but next week I will teach one hour each day in the united class. I had to let Yisi go to No-ak Kol last Wed. to help out in their class, so I didn't get my sewing done. But she will be home Tuesday and then I can get at it and get the 2 dresses finished. I wonder if you got the little package I sent you, and also the Korean candy. If you don't mention the things and say "Thank you, Ma'm" the "chamie" (pleasure) of sending them will be "up-so" (missing).

I was sorry not to have been able to send something at Xmas time, but I was so rushed at that time I simply could not get anything else off. Father has been teaching Romans all week in the City Class here. There were well over 300 men studying. Next Monday he goes to ChungJu to help in the Class there, and he may go on to Chai Ju (island) where Pastor Kip-hunie is. Misfortune has surely struck the Girls Academy; Miss Haynes is laid by for 2 weeks and probably Miss Snook, too. They have had tonsillitis which has so effected the heart there is nothing else to do but stay in bed. At one time Miss Robins, Miss Benedict, and Haynes were all sick at once in the hospital. I guess they are having a pretty hard time at the school. Miss Snook wanted me to take a class but I could not take on any more. Besides, I feel sometimes I never can make up my mind to teach in the school again.

At last we are having some winter. These are quite cold days, and it will no doubt be cold all of February.

You spoke in your letter about the excitement of the girls over the white slave scare. It really was well that there was excitement about it. Girls must know about it and be on their guard. Father and I are of one mind that Gertrude cannot go to Ohio alone. If you stay and work this summer there must be someone with whom she can go.

We both think that you had better go too. You will have a hard year next year, no doubt, and you will need the rest and change. And you must get your clothes and Gertrude's fixed up. Aunt Jennie said in her letter she would be glad to have you, or you could stay with Aunt Ella or Aunt Terz. Etta said in her letter that Aunt Jennie has these dreadful headaches yet, so she may not be able to have you and the excitement of your being there. However, after you get there you can see and then you can go to the other aunts and uncles. I wish you might stay with Uncle Chris Swallen and Aunt Amanda for a little while. If Wilbur decides to go on to Mt. Hermon until he finishes, then Gertrude will go back to Northfield next Fall with you and enter Wooster the next Fall when you do. My! don't I wish you all could come home for vacation, but we must not dwell on impossibilities. Mrs. Baird says they have Sunny Shadow cottage for next summer in Northfield Dr. and Mrs. Baird and Richard were for supper last evening. They are leaving Feb.13 or 14.

The girls have come home and gone to bed. Father has just come in, too and I must close and go to bed. I will finish in the morning.

Monday 2 p.m. - I had to hustle this morning to get Pyung-soonie off to Nong-king-kol to have a woman go to Chinampo for a Class. It seems strange that I am unable to get a woman from here, but I can't find one who can go. tomorrow. Then as soon as I got a letter written and Pyung-soonie started I left for the South Gate. We had a splendid start and good attendance with 4 divisions. I guess I'll have to teach one class - Joshua. I cango and come so easy now in a jinrikasha, that I won't mind it much.

This is a bright clear day. "Mr. Ground-hog" is seeing his shadow all day, as the old saying goes -he will go in and stay for 6 weeks. So if that is true we will have 6 weeks of cold

Lots and lots of love, Mother.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - Feb.2, 1914

My Own Dearest Gertrude,

Where is that long letter about your vacation? We are waiting day by day for it. It seems ages since we have received a letter from you. You must not neglect us. If you will write each Sunday evening and then mail the letter Monday morning then we can hear from you each week, and oh! how nice that would be. If you children could know how glad we are when your letters come and how lonely we are when they don't come I am sure you would not neglect us.

I am having some trouble about getting teachers for some of the classes and that takes up so much of my time. The last set of classes begins Wed. and then I guess they will be over for this winter. Next week the City Class for women will be held, and the next week the class for native pastor's wives. I do not teach in it but I am Chairman of the committee and will have to see that it goes. March 7 the Spring Class opens, and March 27 the Bible Institute opens. Miss Best leaves April 3; Miss Doriss is to have charge. Miss Samuels and Miss Davis are to help.

I was hoping your letter would come this morning, then writing to you would be much more "chamie" (pleasure) I must close and get to sewing, for your dresses must be finished this week. They are going to be very pretty and I know you will like the oriental embroidery.

Lots and lots of love, Mother.

Monday p.m. 5:30 - The girls came home from school and have gone skating. Can't you imagine you see them? Father is all packed and ready to leave for Chun Ju tonight on the 1:30 a.m. train. He goes to Taiden (TaeJun) changes cars and goes to a place called Re-re, where he takes an automobile for

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Chun Ju.

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He gets there tomorrow afternoon about 4 o'clock. Just as I was ready to start to my class this morning the mail man handed me a bunch of mail, including yours of Jan. 11 but mailed Jan. 16. Why do you keep them lying around after you write? Send the letters right on. I am sorry Olivette doesn't write. I trust you will write every Sunday and not miss one. I will try to do the same. I am glad you got the little bag. I think I told you I mailed it by letter-post as an experiment. Did you have any duty to pay? I have your dress just about done. I think I will leave off the cuffs and collar and send them by letter-post like I did the bag. I shall have to send the dresses by parcel post. If you want me to make any underwear let me know right away so I can get them made before summer. After this I think I will send the lace trimming by letter-post and let you put it on yourself. What a fine time you and Olivette had on vacation. I am writing to Ella to thank her for all her kindness. And how kind of Miss Waring to help you on your dress, that I made you. Is it the red dress?

I have just finished reading your letter again. It made me feel sorry that you felt as you did about going back to school. If that is the result of a good happy vacation maybe it would be better to stay at Northfield after this. I think you will be happy again when you are started in school. I trust you will make this the very best term you have had yet in school. Live just a little closer to the Lord than ever before. He will help you. Call upon Him and He will hear.

I have helped Esther with her lessons. The girls are now snug in bed. Father, too, is sleeping, for he is to leave at 12:30 to take the 1:30 train for Chunju. Father soon got up and I had to go to bed.

Tuesday - I am finishing your letter this morning. The girls have gone to take their music lessons. Mrs. Becker has been sick so they haven't had a lesson for several weeks.

My! but this is a cold morning, 3 above zero! Father is just about to Seoul by this time. We will have about 2 weeks alone.

....what is more beautiful than a quiet, sweet modest girl? I trust you are very careful to do your part to keep the reputation of the boys and girl from Korea up to a high standard. Do not grumble at what your teachers do, but be very careful to keep all the rules of the school and keep the good will of your teachers. You children are in my mind all the time. I covet the very best for you all.

With lots of love, Mother.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - Feb. 10, 1914

My Own Dearest Olivette,

It seems ages since we have had a letter from you. Gertrude's last letter was written Jan. 11, and said she was waiting for your letter, which did not come with hers. Are you too busy to write home? My hands are full and yet I do not neglect you children, in my thoughts, prayers, or *writing*.What have you decided to do this summer? It seems best for you to go with Gertrude to Aunt Jennie's. We want Wilbur to go to Uncle Christ and work on the farm, until school begins. He can learn a lot about the farm. You had better stay and graduate from Northfield.

I have been sewing today. I am sending the dress and a white silk waist. The waist is made out of 2 yds of silk the Bible Institute class gave me and some more I bought and put with it. I hope you will like it, and the spongee dress. It cost ~~very~~ little out here and when you get it done you will have a dress that would cost a lot of money in America. Yisi is with me all the time now. I am going to let her take the Bible Institute, at least one course; she is taking Luke now.

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The girls have gone to bed, and so must I. My cold is better today. I have had a terrible cold, the result of getting too tired.

Lots and lots of love, Mother.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - Feb.15, 1914

My Dearest Olivette,

Your letter of Jan. 11 and 19 in one letter came yesterday. The mail man handed me 8 letters just as I was starting to my class. I just took time to glance at Wilbur's to see if he had recovered from his cold, and then hastened to the last session of the Class. I think Miss Best said there were about 500 enrolled. It was a class for women of the different churches of the city. I had about 80 in my class studying John. There were 2 sections to each class.

This is evening after supper and I am alone. Father is in ChunJu teaching in their class. Esther and Mary have gone to the Endeavor meeting at Mrs. Lockett's. How lonesome and strange it seems! I don't like to think of the time when we will be alone. Dr. Baird must be very lonely, for Mrs. Baird and Richard left on Friday. They are in Seoul over Sunday, and will leave for Japan tomorrow, taking the boat on the 18th. They expect to reach Northfield before the first of April.

.... Aunt Jennie wants you to come there for the summer and my advice is for you to go. You can sew and make your clothes and Gertrude's and save a dress-making bill, and you can help Aunt Jennie, so you can be working all the time. I feel sure you can do much better school work next year if you get away from Northfield for awhile. Father and I are of one mind about your going and I hope you will. We are planning for Wilbur to go to Uncle Chris's just as soon as school is out, that is if he wants to go. Uncle Chris has bought new farming implements and is farming again. We think it will be great for Wilbur to spend several summers there on the farm. He will need all he can get about farming on the Mission field. You said he was offered such a good position at the hotel. Aunt Jennie said in her last letter that Uncle Will can get Wilbur a good position as soon as he is old enough. It will be much better for his health to go out on the farm than to be shut up in an office.

Many thanks for your picture. I have it framed on the piano. How good it is, and what a pretty back-ground you have! Yes, I noticed the length of your skirt. I do hope you will like the dress I have made and hope it will fit. I am thinking about an embroidered Chinese linen for you. I think I will get it planned and have Suksie do it during her vacation. She does such splendid work. Then if you will send me a pattern I will make it for you, and it won't cost anything but the material. I am going to get material and make you a princess slip embroidered, also a skirt. The women here can do it I think I will keep Yisi all the time, and let her take courses in the Bible Institute, and begin to help me in the work. It is what she wants to do. She is now getting ready to take the examination in Luke and pass it off. Suksie is out now teaching her 12th class, and the last one. My classes will soon be over. Then I am going to make out a report and send out another printed ~~report~~ letter. Splendid reports are coming in from all over our Circuit. Many, many new believers are coming in. The churches are filling to overflowing, which means added work and more responsibility. I want to be well and strong so I can be able to do more.

I have been having a dreadful cold and I do hope this will be the last of it. What a lovely time you children did have at Dr. Jones' (Leonia) and at Ella Waring's. I have written to Ella, and must now write to Mrs. Jones.

I must close and go to bed.

Lots of love, Mother.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - March 2, 1914

My Own Dearest Olivette,

This is Monday morning after breakfast. I did not get to write yesterday, but stayed in bed until in the afternoon and then got up and sat out in the sunshine for an hour or so. It just seems I can't get over this cold and catarrh which I have had all winter. At times it is better than worse. I have quit going to any Korean meetings or to any other place, only out of doors until I do get over it. Dr. Folwell is doctoring me now; he says there is nothing the matter with my lungs. I can see I am getting better day by day but it takes such a long time. I have had to give up teaching in the country class which began Saturday, and I shall give up everything until I get well. The dust and bad air is so bad for my head. I feel sure I will be all right as soon as the weather gets warmer. Mr. Mowry is better, is out and able to go for a walk. Mrs. Hall is sick in bed with the same. Miss Snook and Miss Haynes had sore throat which left them with some heart trouble. Miss Best is just about played out; she is very much worse than I am with catarrh and throat trouble. She is leaving in one more month and is glad, I guess, that she is. I really haven't seen anyone in the community for so long that I feel almost like a stranger.

Father returned from his trip to Chunju and Chungju Tuesday morning. He stayed with the McCutcheons and also with the Reynolds. Had a good class of 450 men. Mrs. Reynolds says that Bowling will graduate from college next year and one of the Junkin boys this year.

Since I wrote the above the mail came bringing your letter of Jan. 25 and Feb. 3. I read it to Father when he came in. I certainly do hope you passed in everything. I never have understood the terms at Northfield. Is all of January taken up with examinations. It has always seemed to me that too much time is taken up with examinations. I feel sure Esther and Mary will not go there. They will probably take two years of High school here and then enter Wooster. My! but they are working. Esther is doing much better and won't have to be put back. Mrs. Becker says they are doing so well in music. I intend to stick to helping Esther and keep her at it. I never can say how sorry I am that you children were neglected and let go (in studies). It makes me indignant when I think how it was. Our girls are in the 5th grade and all their classes are taught either by Mrs. Luckett or Miss Fish, splendid teachers. ... Virginia is teaching the big girls Sunday school class. Esther is in it, and I think it is a mistake. The lessons are very hard. It takes a student of the Bible to teach them. I help Esther with her lesson. I fear she gets very little out of them; they are the International graded lessons, interesting but hard for children.

You are certainly getting Bible, if you could pass that examination you sent. I do hope you won't fail. It is never considered a very good teacher so a lot of pupils fail. There is always something wrong when so many fail. I do hope you won't let anything interfere with your studies, know where you are lacking and make up when you lack. Don't let the girls run in your room and break on on your time.

Father said he was going to write this p.m. but since his study is full of Koreans I am sure he could not. This evening he has a meeting with the Koreans about the schools in the Western Circuit. All over our Circuit the churches are overflowing. Yesterday Father went out to Sam Kol. 40 new believers came in; yesterday over 200 have come in. The Spring Class began

Sat, and just think, only Miss Doris, Mrs. Wells and Mrs. Holdcroft are the foreign ladies to teach in it. I have had to give up my class because of my throat and voice. Miss Best's Paksie hasn't been able to teach all winter, she has lost her voice. What lovely weather we are having, just like Spring! The girls have gone for a horse-back ride. Lots of love, Mother.

Pyang Yang, Korea - March 9, 1914

My Own Dearest Olivette,

Before Father left for the country he wrote to you and Gertrude, so I will add a note this morning. I had such a good quiet day yesterday reading the Revelation and Campbell Morgan's "First Century Message to the 20th century Christians." I got so much help from it. I feel so much better this morning and my voice is clearing up. I think I have learned a few lessons since I have been laid aside and can't work. I will take things more moderate. Miss Best was just in; she is not at all well but works anyway. She leaves April 3 by the way of Siberia, so she feels she can stand it a little longer.

Just this moment the mail man brought me a post card from Mrs. Hall. She says, "Last winter when you or the children were sick you used to send for me to come to see you; now I must do the same, if you can come." Mrs. Hall is sick in bed with some kind of heart trouble. I must go over this afternoon. She has a friend who came out to stay a year with her.

Father has written at some length about your staying at Northfield or going to Wooster. Now I hope you won't let it trouble you too much, you do just as you think best. If you want to stay we are perfectly willing. If you are sure you can graduate no doubt it will be for the best for you to do so. If you do conclude to stay there next year and want to work in the bookstore, all right, only you must board at some boarding-house so you can have regular meals, without so much worry. Your health is better than money and you must learn to take care of yourself. Just trust in the Lord and He will help you in all of these things.

If you want me to make you any more clothes let me know. If you want a dark blue pongee dress trimmed with ecru lace, send me the pattern and Yisi will make it this summer. Yisi can color just fine. I got some silk to trim the girls' alapaca dresses; it wasn't the shade of green I wanted, so she colored it for me. I have just finished a dress for each of them. Esther's is made out of your old blue alapaca trimmed in green, and Mary's is made out of an old grey alapaca Mrs. Curtis gave me, trimmed in green; both are open in front with rolling collars and green-covered buttons and tie. They are really pretty. I am sending for patterns and trimming to make the blue cashmere Aunt Martha gave them, so they will have new dresses next Fall.

Esther is doing much better in school, as long as I stick to helping her with her lessons. When I keep after her all the time she can take a music lesson each week, but if I don't she can't. My letter will be too heavy so I must stop.

Lots of love, Mother.

Pyang Yang, Korea - March 22, 1914

My Own Dearest Olivette,

It seems like ages since we have received a letter from you. Surely there will be one coming tomorrow or Wednesday. What a nice oriental party you must have had! I haven't had your version of it yet. I was sorry that Wilbur and Gertrude got sick after it was over. What a cold ride you must have had. Wilbur said you were about frozen, and I wonder if they had a warm room to receive you in so you were comfortable while there. Next winter you and Gertrude shall have warmer clothes, and I shall insist on long sleeves and high neck no matter what the styles are. I wonder if you protect yourselves when you go out that way for a long ride.

What a different winter we have had here! so mild and no snow. Thus far March is ~~at~~ like Spring. Today has been a bright warm day, with the doors open part of the time. I have been at home all day. I wanted to go to the South Gate this p.m. but I did not feel able to walk, and Father thot

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I had better not go in a chair.(sedan). The last two times I have walked nearly tired me out, so I guess if I can't ride I will have to give up the work for a while at least. I am better and as long as I keep from talking my voice gets better. I have had such a bad catarrh and have been so hoarse. Last week during the big class I couldn't help but talk, and one morning led chapel. I just longed to be strong and well so I could take my part. Kim Moksa and Han Moksa (pastors) took my class. With the Correspondence course and so many other things to see to, really I was busy all the time. We had nearly 400 from our Western Circuit; I entertained them in three different sets - the girls and young women up to 25, then the middle-aged women, and then the older women. How they did enjoy the Grafonola. We served cookies, pop-corn, and tea, and to the girls I gave packages of flower seeds; to the next group corn and pumpkin seeds, The last day I gave twigs from the poplar trees, strawberry plants, and some raspberry plants, to all who came and wanted them. It does my heart good to give things to women who seem so appreciative. This summer I am going to raise lots of flowers and save all the seed I can and I will have more to give away. Oh! yes and I gave them popcorn seed, too. I hustled about and had the picture of the class taken, but not until a lot had already gone. We had the women scattered all over the Bible Institute grounds, and it was taken from our yard. I will send a copy just as soon as it comes, and you will be glad to see it, I know.

The Theological Seminary has opened. Father is teaching 2 classes. Dr. Gale and Mr. Sharp are staying with the Holdcrofts; Dr. Reynolds with the Blairs, Mr. Erdman with the Smiths, and Mr. Engle with the Wells. Mr. Parker of the Southern Presbyterian Mission, who is here for college work, boards with the Bernheisels. Just now there is much excitement about the college. More than two-thirds of all the Presbyterian missionaries voted for the college to be here at Pyeng Yang; some are determined it shall be at Seoul. The Methodists want it at Seoul. The rumor is that our Board, with the other Boards have voted for Seoul. The Educational Senate have been meeting in Seoul. Father has just now gone over to see Dr. Baird to hear what was done. I think Dr. Baird came home on a late train last night. Harriet has the house fixed up so cozy and nice; she has a beautiful piano. What a darling baby they have! her cheeks are like two red roses.

Esther and Mary have gone to the Endeavor meeting, so I am all alone. Even the cat is not in her usual place. We have a cat that looks very much like Pilgrim; she was Beckers' cat. I guess she cried too much for them. She is the worst cat I ever saw to meow. Just so she keeps the rats and mice away, which she is doing,- we haven't had a rat in the cellar since we came back.

If the college goes to Seoul that means, no doubt, that the Beckers will go, too. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Grove about 2 weeks ago, Wendell Philip/ Mrs. Grove was seriously sick for a while but is getting on nicely now. Dr. Folwell lives with the Morrisises in the Noble house. Dr. and Mrs. Noble are in Seoul. Dr. Hall is confined to her bed with some heart trouble. A friend is here to stay a year with her.

Miss Doris had charge of the Class and did very well indeed. She speaks Korean very well and I feel sure is going to be a good worker. She will have charge of the Bible Institute in Miss Best's absence. I have given up teaching in it, anyway until my hoarseness is all gone.

I wonder if I have told you about Paksie, Miss Best's Bible woman. Last Fall she lost her voice and can only talk in a whisper. She hasn't been able to teach a class all winter. One morning during the class she came to chapel and spoke a little to the women. Suksie talked for her. Suksie is really my comfort; she has the nicest mind. What a help she is! I do not know how I should ever get on without her. Yisie is sewing for Mrs. Bernheisel now; I think I shall let her study in the Bible Institute. She seems to have a nice mind. Chongilie comes and looks after the trees. He is a Sunday school teacher and a Deacon in his church where they are.

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He says he is going to try the work again this year on the fruit farm but if it doesn't pay better he will either be ready to come back to us or gon on the School Farm which we hope to have.

I must tell you what Father is planning to do - build a house at Sorai Beach. He is going to get everything ready just as soon as his work is done in June, and go down to build this house. He'll take Pyung-soonie and the secretary Cho Mong-nim and stay two months. Esther & Mary and I may go down later. I guess all the Taiku station folks are going to build houses there this summer. Father is very enthusiastic over it. Yesterday he was downtown trying to find lumber.

This week we are going to fix the bathroom by tearing out the closet making the washroom larger and putting in a Japanese bath-tub with a stove in it for heating water. Then I will have a closet made in the alcove, in the corner next to Father's study. We have the middle room now for a library and the alcove has a folding couch in it that can be made up into a bed, when needed.

You will tire of all this, so I will close. Oh! how I do wish you would write often. It is much more "chamie" (pleasure) for us to write when you children write.

Lots and lots of love, Mother

Pyeng Yang, Korea - March 29, 1914

My Own Dearest Clivette,

Your good long letter of March 1 and the clipping "Our Sewing School" came; it will nice for the little girls to have one sometime. Esther is just wild about sewing; she cuts everything she can find into dolls' clothes. She and Mary are making a quilt, outline stitch on blocks of muslin. Some of the pictures are taken from cards you children sewed. Every Friday evening I read to them while they sew. They don't have to study that evening all books are put away. We are reading the Rollo books and they are fine. We are going with Rollo to Holland now; we get a pretty good idea of Holland. Mrs. Luckett makes their Geography so interesting, and they are studying Europe now, so Rollo in London, Scotland, Holland, and on the Rhine, and all the books will be just fine with this geography. She takes a little paper "Current Events" which is simply fine and reads it to her class. She is a good teacher, and has won the hearts of everybody. Dorothy Adams is in school and we hear that Mrs. Owen is going to send her Mary here. Mrs. Striker is here with her children intending to put Peter in school after Easter vacation, and put him in the dormitory. Yesterday the awful news came that Dr. Striker had been shot by a Japanese and died immediately. Dr. Striker was showing some guest through his hospital, when a Japanese suddenly appeared and shot him. They start down the river to Pyeng Yang with his body today. Dr. Wells leaves for Hol-kole in the morning because of the sickness of some of the ladies there.

Mrs. Grove ~~was~~ very sick last Sunday afternoon. Mr. Grove preached in English, such a strange serron on "death", Father said. When he got home she had a violent headache and grew worse and worse until she was delirious. They were not sure what it was, but I suppose by this time they know. Dr. Mills came and took out some fluid from her spine to see if it was spinal meningitis. Mr. Morris said this afternoon that she was no better. Poor Mr. Grove! surely his cup is full, with 2 babies, for Helen the oldest is only a baby. Dr. Hall is still in bed with heart trouble. I went to see her the other day, and found her much better. All the others are well. Miss Campbell left last night for Japan to nurse for 5 months; then to England with someone as nurse. How unhappy she seemed! She wouldn't accept any invitations out to meals. If things didn't go her way there was trouble.

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Miss Best leaves next Saturday, April 4, for her furlough. She isn't at all well and it's a good thing she is going. The Bible Institute opened Friday and work began, so it will be well started before she leaves. At the Missionary Meeting a few days ago the women gave her a fine silver badge as a decoration gift. We shall miss her, but Miss Doris is taking hold fine. She has a nice mind and will make a splendid worker, I am sure. Miss Davis and Miss Samuels are here to teach in the Institute. There are 100 or more enrolled, and more will probably come in tomorrow. We have some fine new women from the Western Circuit. Misie (Yi Kwon-sun) my sewing woman, passed Luke and Acts, so enters the 2nd year. I am so sorry I can't teach but I just had to give it up because I can't get my voice properly back. I haven't lost my voice but it is husky from the cold, so I won't run any risk in using it. We have had some real March days, cold and windy. I was out having bushes transplanted and I got more & more cold, and it resulted in a sore throat, so I could not get out today. And I could not hear Father preach. He is preaching from a subject you put in one of your letters which you had heard - "Pillars in the Temple of God". He had a splendid outline and I am sure he will give them helpful thoughts. They will soon be coming home. What a rainy day! March is going out like a roaring lion!

I am so sorry I forgot about sending you the cold medicine, No. 6. I will get it and mail it right away. I asked Dr. Wells; he says to write to Mulford & Co., 13th and Waverly St, Philadelphia, for Cold Medicine No. 6. Send 15¢ and they will send it to you; take one every 3 hours when you are taking a cold until it is checked and then stop, and if the cold doesn't stop see the doctor. You ought to have a bottle of camphorated oil on hand. When you get a cold rub your breast and neck with it. It is fine. I find the very best thing is to take a dose of castor oil, go to bed, and fast.

I must write to Wilbur and Gertrude.

Lots and lots of love, Mother.

Pyong Yang, Korea - April 10, 1914

My Dearest Olivette,

Your good long letter of March 8 came last week. I haven't since because I went home with Mrs. Whiting and of course did not get to write, while I was there. I will write a long letter on Sunday. I am thinking of you now in your Easter Vacation and wondering how you are spending it. I hope you and Gertrude will get your clothes all fixed up and get a rest. Our hearts are heavy these days because of the college question.

Two-thirds of our Mission have protested against the action of the Board and the Secretaries. Tomorrow the Executive com. has a meeting here. Every member on it is against the "rich" college in Seoul (I mean by rich, that they are to put all the money they want to in it and make it a university with unbelievers in it as well as Christians) We don't want a college like that, like they have in India and Syria; Christian in name only, with a Board of control in America and probably a higher critic for a president. After a while it will be only Christian in name. In some of the colleges where there are, say, 350 students, only 10 are Christians, while our college and Academy have only Christians. There is no mistake, the fight is on. It will be a bigger fight than the Irvin case. Would you believe it? Some doctors say Dr. Irvin is doing more injury to the work than can be imagined. Think of it! he won't doctor the missionaries who are in Fusan; he said he didn't want them to call on him. We are just sick over present conditions. The Methodists, both North and South, have gone into it. All the Australian Mission, the Southern Presbyterians, and nearly all the Canadians, and nearly all of our Mission want the college in Pyong Yang. The Senate has voted that the Methodists have their college in Seoul, and the Presbyterians in Pyong Yang. Dr. Underwood is not on the Senate.

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Dr. Brown cabled out here for Dr. Underwood, Mr. Cram, and Dr. Adams to go ahead and buy the land. Dr. Adams cabled back, "By whose authority?!" "Brown's", was the reply. It is said Dr. Underwood had gone ahead and bought 100 acres of land. "Money rules!" But we hope and trust it can't rule our work out here. I don't mind telling you these things if you don't go and tell it to others. Don't discuss it with Gretchen (Jones). You are old enough to know it all. Dr. Moffett is just sick; so is Father. But they won't give up, because the policy of our work is in danger. The other side who are fighting for the big university in Seoul (I can't name all) but Dr. Underwood is the head, Dr. Avison, Mr. Koons, and Mr. Greenfield. The Beckers are moving to Seoul. Mr. Billings went to Dr. Baird and resigned from the work in the school; nearly all their students are gone out of the school, no new ones came in.

I must close and go see what Old Yi is doing. I have a lot of replanting to do.

Lots and lots of love, Mother.

Pyeong Yang, Korea - April 19, 1914

My Own Dearest Olivette,

Your letter of March 17 came the first of the week. We had waited, it seemed, a long time. We have just had supper, put the little chicks to bed, now Esther and Mary are out playing with the little calf. It is so cunning; it waits until they get almost to it, and then how it will run. We have 10 cunning little chickens. Mrs. Reynolds sent me a setting of eggs. I gave a Korean 50 sen to hatch them for me. I bought the old hen and let her sleep with them and stay in the box part of the time, when they get cold and tired. I have a box up on legs and am raising them like Aunt Jennie's neighbor, Mrs. Rice. I have another hen setting, and more eggs to set. Dr. Moffett let me have some of his Plymouth eggs. Rock. So you see we are going into the henery business. It will be nice to have our own fresh eggs and good chickens to eat.

Our trees and yard all look fine. Old Yi is just as faithful as ever. He seems to think he belongs to me. His poor old wife is blind and deaf; yet she goes to church every Sunday. Tan-sil and her husband lives with them and she leads her poor old bent-over mother every Sunday. Old Yi says he goes to church.

The girls and I are alone; Father went out to Chun-san-po yesterday. The pastor and his congregation have had some trouble so the pastor resigned. Father went out to see if he could reconcile them. I went to the South Gate this morning and took charge for the first time in a long time. I am very much better and it does seem so good to be well again. I believe it was malaria, for since I have been taking quinine I am much better. Esther has had German measles and then malaria. Mary had quite a severe attack of German Measles, and was sick nearly all week, but got up yesterday and has been up all day today. Evert and Anna Smith have them now. Lilian Ross has them, too. There has been an epidemic of measles among the Koreans, and many little ones have died. Mrs. Grove is getting better; her mind is getting all right and she will soon be able to see her friends. Dr. Hall is up and quite well again. I haven't seen her but must try and go over this week. The Beckers move to Seoul in a week or two. Harriet has promised to give the girls music lessons.

Did I tell you about the Methodist exodus? out of the school here. All the Methodist students left the college and Academy, except 2 Seniors, 2 Juniors, and 2 in the Academy. 68 left without any dismissal papers or even saying good-bye to Dr. Baird. Last week the Executive Com. had a meeting here on Sat. until Tuesday noon. They protested against the action of the Board; the protest is now going the rounds for a vote.

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There is no mistake, it will get the majority of votes. I think I wrote you that the Educational Senate at their last meeting moved and carried that the Methodists have a college in Seoul and the Presbyterians in Pyeng Yang. Even though there was a majority, the minority are over-ruling. Dr. Underwood even though he is neither on the Senate nor on the Ex. Com. has bought about 200 acres of land for the Union Christian College. On March 27 there was a meeting in Seoul of the men in Seoul when they appointed committees and arranged to open the Union Christian College in Seoul, which I suppose they did in April. They got up and printed an announcement of all their proceedings, which were entirely lawless, for all the schools, whether college or lower schools are under the control of the Senate, Federated Educational. Dr. Adams took dinner with us last Sunday evening and we had a good quiet visit. Then on Monday evening we had Dr. Clark, Mr. Welton, and Mr. Cook at dinner. After the other two had gone we had another quiet talk with Dr. Clark. He is a great man; he stands firm as adamant. Our whole Ex. Com. are solid against the whole proceedings. I wish you could read Father's letter he has written to Dr. Brown and the Board. I am going to make a number of copies and if he consents I will send one so you and Wilbur may read it. Really, I don't think we should trouble you children about this but I am sure you might be interested and will want to know about it. I believe you will be stronger and more able for the work on the field if you do know these things and go through them with us.

The other day Father came in pretty blue and said, "Really, I feel as if my parents had died". I don't know what he would do if he didn't have me to talk it over with. I have to share all his troubles. Poor Dr. Moffett, it is really telling on him. He keeps up pretty well but we know he misses Mrs. Hoffett oh! so much, for he has no one like her to talk over all these things. Father thinks Union has received such a blow that it will take a long time, if it ever does recover. I hope you won't mention this to Gretchen or the Hardie girls, for it will do no good, and no use to have a controversy. I am only telling you and Wilbur because you are old enough and should know and will be better fitted to cope with these things when you get into the work. We feel sure it will turn out all right in the end.

You said in your letter that it was your pride more than anything that kept you from going to Aunt Jennie's. Now you had better swallow your pride and not let it get the better of you. Of course they can't understand, and what if they can't? You did not have the start in the first place, and you are far along as Gretchen and Lizette, so I would not care for that. Really and truly if you stay there and work like you did last year and have to live that way in order to save, you will not be at all ready for a good year's work, and I don't believe you will be able to save very much if you have to pay board. I can see, too, that it will be hard for you to go to Jennie's. She will think you ought to have so many new clothes and we are not able to get them for you unless we go into the principal of our money which is on interest and which we ought not to do. If we have to for your schooling, why then we will, but not for clothes. It seems to Father and me that the \$12.50 a month ought to clothe you children. We can't know how you are spending your money for you never send us any account. Now you have been in school for 5 years and really we have never received any regular account. We feel we have done you a great wrong by not requiring it of you. Father has made an account book for each of you children that I have mailed to you. You are to keep daily accounts on it and put a copy on the stub, and at the close of each month you are to balance it up and tear it off and mail the torn-off leaves to us. This must be done, if you expect us to help you anymore. Dr. Adams said he withdrew all of Edward's money until he sent his accounts, and I think Dr. Baird did the same with John. We never knew how much you made or saved last summer, nor how much you spend only as we account of what we send. I balance my books at the end of each week and start out new Monday morning. I have my separate bank account, my own bank book; Father gives me a check

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for 50 or 100 yen at a time and we keep all our accounts separate. We have to count close and live very carefully to keep our heads above water, but we are doing very well thus far, if we can keep on. But you children must help us, and we feel that is one way in which you can., by keeping strict account of all you get and all you spend. Father will be writing about it and I think he intends to be very firm. If you do it this way you will know just where you are, and so will we. We do not want to write to New York and ask Mr. Day to hold your allowance, but that is what we are going to do if the accounts are not forth coming. We are writing to Wilbur and Gertrude the same. This is for your own good and it must be done. I must close and go to bed.

With lots and lots of love, Mother.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - April 26, 1914

My Dearest Clivette,

Your letter of March 22 came last Tuesday, and Gertrude's of March 30 came yesterday. You said in your letter that you had had such a good week and that it ended so perfectly. Wouldn't it be nice if every week could be good. Why couldn't every week be that way? That is the way it should be. That is the way God wants us to live, to be happy in Jesus and to believe in Him with our whole heart, and to live in Him. It is our privilege to live a life hid with Christ in God; we are to live pure, holy lives, if we expect to see God. John says in I John 1:9 "If we confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness". The blood of Jesus cleanses us. That is the secret, to keep under the blood, and God will help us and give us grace for every trial. I do wish you could be happy in your lessons and really enjoy your school life. It seems such a burden to you. It ought not to be. Your school life should be the very happiest and it will be if you make up your mind that it shall be so. It seems to me you undertake too much; you try to do just as much as girls who do not have to study so hard for what they get. That has always been one of my failings, and is still. If I only could learn to be content to do the little things. Well, I have been learning it of late. I find I have to take things more moderate, and quit undertaking so much.

I do hope you are getting along well in your studies this year. My! but I wish you liked to study and could study up and get some things off during your vacation. I wonder if you ever practise any on the piano. If you could keep up your music during vacation what a help that would be/ I am sure I can appreciate it more than you can now since I can not play or sing. Well, Oh! I wish I could. I would just give anything if I could, and you will find the time will come when you will wish you had kept up your music. You have never said whether you would like to go to a Domestic Science school or not. If you think you would, inquire about a good place to go and then send for a catalog. Someone said there is a good school in Boston. I trust Mrs. Baird can be a mother to you; go to her with your perplexing questions. She will be so glad to help you any way she can.

Father is writing a long letter so I will only write this little note I will write the news of the week in Gertrude's letter.

Lots and lots of love and kisses, Mother.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - May 11, 1914

My Dearest Olivette,

Your long looked for letter came this morning dated April 12. I am sorry I did not get to write last Sunday; I did manage to write to Gertrude which of course you will read and get the news.

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I began going to the Japanese dentist one week ago Sat. and I have kept on going. He is killing a nerve in my tooth before he can fill it. Today he half-crowned one of my front teeth; the gold is on the underside. He seems to understand his business very well. Father went to him and he did very well for him, and is so much more reasonable than Dr. Hahn. Nearly all the foreigners are going to Japanese dentists in Pyeng Yang and in Seoul. I have one more time to go and then he can finish.

Last week passed as usual until Sat. p.m. when Mrs. Hardie came to make me the long-looked-for visit. I had a class in the afternoon so could not go to meet her. I sent a man with a note to meet her and carry her suit-case. Mrs. Faulk was on the train so she asked Mrs. Hardie to ride up in their automobile. Of course she was glad to accept. When I got home Mrs. Hardie was in the sitting room as comfortable as could be and visiting with Mrs. Wells who had come to call. She has Wilbur's room and seems to be having a good rest. She went with me to see the Sabbath school for children and the Academy girls at the Bible Institute at 9:00 and with Mrs. Holdcroft to the Central church at 11:00. I went to the South Gate. We all went to the Foreign Service in the afternoon. Yesterday was communion and our new communion set was used for the first time. Not only that but the best of all was that 13 children were taken into the Union church and had their first communion, - Borothy and Bruce Hunt, Lillian and Albert Ross, Ella and Marion Sharrocks, Esther and Mary, Lois and Katherine Blair, Caroline and Everret Smith, and Robert Robb. It was a beautiful service. Mr. Grove is pastor. Dr. Moffett talked to the children and asked the questions. Mr. Ross Preached. Father had charge of the communion. Dr. Sharrocks and Mr. McMurtrie passed the bread, Mr. Billings and Mr. Phillips passed the wine. I was reminded of the beautiful service when you children were taken into the church, and Mr. McCine's beautiful words of exhortation to you children. It was a beautiful sight to see the children. They did look so pretty standing up together, so very impressive.

We had supper, then sang and had our prayers and went to bed.

I am so glad you liked your dresses; the duty was so reasonable. We didn't have to pay duty on your packages, but I did have to pay excess postage on a pattern that Gertrude sealed in a letter. No, Gertrude's dress was no done by the palace ladies, but the same man embroidered both dresses. (Aunt Lucy?)

I think Father and I have said enough about your summer and going to Ohio. You don't have to visit around; you can stay there and be quiet and think what a good chance you will have for reading! Mrs. Hardie said today that she has written for her girls to go to Millersburg, Ky. where Eva and Bessie graduated, to spend the summer and go there to school. It will only cost \$16. for you to go to Ohio and to return. Father and I both would rather you would not go to the hotel to work. Would you like to go to a Domestic Science school and take a course of study before you go to the Bible School? It seems to me you are more in love with that than almost anything else. I wonder if you could not make more a success at it. Miss Snook said the other day how she did wish you were ready to come out and help her in the school. It is true that there will be a place for you where ever you are well fitted for the place. We are convinced of this that there will always be an opening and a place for common-sense Domestic Science. We would like to see you have a year or two of college, to take just what you like best and what will help you the most. We do hope you may get the most out of next year at Northfield. I feel it is for your own good to get away for awhile, this summer.

There is an afternoon tea at Mrs. Holdcroft's for Mrs. Ross. After supper --- We had a pleasant afternoon. There is a station meeting at Dr. Wells' now, but I don't think I will go.

Lots and lots of love, Mother.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - May 19, 1914

My Own Dearest Olivette,

Your letter of April 19 came yesterday, also one from Frof Dickerson. I read your letter over, then read it to Father when he came home. Am glad my letter made you happy. Since you let Mrs. Baird read it, I wish I could recall what I had written. I have been waiting for a letter from her but none has come yet. I have been assigned to write to her this month so I must do it before the next station meeting. My days seem so crowded full. Mrs. Hardie made me a nice visit, stayed a week, then went over to visit Mrs. Morris; went home yesterday p.m. with Bishop Lewis and his wife who were here over Sunday. The Bishop preached a splendid sermon on Sun. I was sorry Father was not able to hear him, for he is not very well, and was at home all Sunday trying to get rested up. He took his class yesterday and has gone to class this morning, but is not quite well yet. Two more weeks then he expects to go to Sorai Beach for the summer. He has permission to go the first of June. I am glad he realizes the need and will go. Mr. Bell is here and will be with us until June 16.

The Adams family are here living in Dr. Moffett's Guest House. Mrs. Adams, I think, expects to go into the M.W. Hospital soon. She seems very well, and was at the afternoon tea I had for Mrs. Hardie last Friday. We shall enjoy your collection of pictures. I think I have a very good collection which you and Wilbur have sent us. I am so glad you are taking drawing, and hope you will take advantage of any and every opportunity ^{that} will be advantageous and helpful in any way. I was glad you told me a little about your clothes. I wish you would from time to time, and what you need. Gertrude said you got a new Spring hat.

Yes, I do ride to the South Gate all the time. I go in a jinrikisha. Yesterday Mr. Bell and Father hitched up our horse to a cart and we drove off ~~as~~ just fine. He is the kindest, gentlest animal! If we only had some kind of a rig, but we haven't. Miss Doriss will be glad to hear from you. She is doing good work as head of the Bible Institute and is kept very busy. She and Miss Samuels are living together. We see Chongillie sometimes; he has quite a responsibility with the fruit farm. His father has married again and lives in a separate house. Suksie is busy teaching. Yici takes two classes and sews in the afternoon. Pyung-soonie is in the kitchen, since Kimsie our cook is at home - her youngest child died Sat. night of dysentary and now the older girl has it. I ordered her to the hospital this morning....I must go and see if she went with the child. Kim Su-jang never comes to see us; he is doing better, they say.

I wonder if you received our letters before you asked for a place at the hotel; I do not remember just what we said but we did not encourage ~~you~~ you to go there. I am just praying and trusting that God will interfere and not let you go there to work this summer. Father and I could scarcely sleep for thinking and talking about you children last night. You said you didn't see any wrong in taking tips. It has become such a custom and people just wink at it and go on. They don't stop to realize the harm it is doing to the one who takes tips. How much better it would be for the hotel to pay enough salary and not allow tipping at all. We are surprised at the stand you take when you know how we feel about it and how Father wrote to Wilbur last summer, and how Wilbur gave up the job. Wilbur went up in everyone's estimation when they heard what he had done. Now if you go against all we have said and the wishes of your parents - well, I don't believe you will, you are more sensible and have a conscience and will want to please your parents. We are still willing to pay your expenses to Ohio and back at the close of vacation and keep you in school until you are prepared for your work.....Have you laid the whole matter before the Lord and let Him have His way and will in your heart, willing to do just as He wills?

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We will do anything we can to help you along. I asked you in my last letter if you would like to take a course in a Domestic Science school a year in a Nursing school and two years at Moody Bible Institute. That appeals to me to be more to your liking and that you would do much better along that line and get along better. I know Latin and German are bugbears to you and you don't like them....I know exactly how hard it is for you and it was for me; I simply just wiggled through. I liked the Sciences, Literature, etc. yet for all that I am by God's help and grace used in His service..... All of this comes out of a mother's heart full of love for her first-born. God bless you and give you an obedient heart.
Lots of love, Mother.

Pyeng Yangm Korea - May 24, 1914

My Dearest Olivette,

This is Sunday evening; Father is reading; Esther and Mary are just going to bed. As Father has written I will just add this note. Yesterday afternoon when I was tired from going to the South Gate to teach the Teacher's class, I was resting in my cozy corner when the mail man brought your letter of April 28. Wasn't that fine to sit and rest and have your letter to read! I read it, and then read it to Father, and also read the little story you sent... The "Secret Garden" you sent Esther was a very helpful story which all the way through made the one reading it want to do better. Esther has read it all through herself. Mary thought "Pollyanna" a nice story. Mary has read all of Maria Pratt's little history books of the USA and is so interested in Elisdale's History now. When she gets to reading she will say, "This is so interesting I can scarcely stop." If you had had history taught to you when you were this age like they have it this year, your liking for history might be different. But it is not too late for you yet to read and like history and good solid reading.

The past week went as usual. Wed. evening for supper I had our women who are in the Bible Institute from the Western Circuit and South Gate church 12 sat down to the table. I had meat soup, and rice, then meat, potatoes, rice and spinach, bread, butter and jelly, and for the last canned red peaches and cake. I played the Grafanola and they seemed to enjoy it so much. Thursday evening the prayer meetings was here. Friday evening at 8 o'clock we entertained the Theological students and the college students from the Western Circuit. There must have been 40. They did enjoy the music. We served popcorn, 5 kinds of coolies and tea. We must do more entertaining before the school closes.

This morning I had a very narrow escape from being badly hurt. Yesterday I rode the horse to the South Gate which made me so stiff that I did not want any more horse-back riding for a while. We called a jinrikasha man, and I went out and got in. I noticed it was a fine new one. When we started I saw he was going too fast, so I told him to stop but he went right on, faster and faster and could not stop. Well, I was pretty well scared, but what could I do, only sit still. When we got to the road there were 3 or 4 bulls loaded and I called to the men to help him stop but they stood still and stared. Just as we turned the corner the jinrikasha slipped out of his hand and back it went! I was frightened but not hurt. I did not strike anyplace. My neck was a little stiff for a while. The jinrikasha was so well padded and there was an extra pillow which kept me from getting hurt. Poor fellow, I felt sorry for him. I asked him if he was a regular jinriksha man and he said this was his first day; no wonder the accident occurred. His new 'riksha was a pretty bad wreck. I got up and walked to the South Gate even though my legs were stiff from my ride yesterday I rode back. This afternoon at the service

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three babies were baptized. Dr. Moffett baptized Helen Bernheisel; Mr. Erdman baptized Edith Phillips; and Mr. Bernheisel baptized Edith Blair. Dr. Moffett conducted the service after which Dr. Adams preached a good sermon from John 21:16, "Lovest thou Me?"

We came home, had bread and milk for supper.

Mr. Bell has gone to Seoul for over Sunday. I must close and go to bed.

Lots and lots of love and kisses,

Mother.

Pyang Yang, Korea - July 5, 1914

My Dearest Olivette,

Another week passed and no letter. Wilbur's letter of June 7 came a few days ago telling the news about commencement and that you have a position at Asbury Park. I am anxious to know what kind of a place it is and what kind of work you have, etc. Surely you have written.

We certainly are a scattered family in five different places. I haven't heard from Father since last Monday (at Sorai) The carpenter and mason were to return last week but haven't come yet. We are having a genuine rainy season; it has rained a week, but not constantly; a good part of the time, though. We have been at home all day and had a good quiet rest. I have had such a good time reading, - Daniel. What a wonderful book it is and what a great man Daniel was, because he had one purpose, and God blessed him. I am reading Seiss on Daniel, "Voices from Babylon". It is fine! We are to have Daniel in our classes next winter and I am to get out 6 lessons.

Monday Morning - This is a bright clear morning. What a change from yesterday! Everything is washed so clean and the sun is so bright that all nature looks beautiful.

Last evening the carpenter and mason returned from Sorai bringing 2 letters from Father; also one ~~from~~ you and one for Wilbur that I'm enclosing.

I wrote Father that the girls and I could not come to Sorai. You see, it has taken 200 yen to build the house, and more for Father to live there, so our bank account at present is almost nil. He has had a dreadful spell of blues, I guess, and says he thinks he will come home if we can't come. The girls and I can live here almost entirely from what we have on the place. Besides, I can keep things going and get something done. Then when Fall comes I will have the house in order and some clothes made, and will not be so rushed. We are so comfortable here at home. I can't even bear to think of leaving. I am going to see if I can't persuade Dr. Baird to go down and stay with Father. I called Mr. McMurtrie this morning and tried to get him to promise to go but he has decided to go to a temple on No-ak San. He says there are too many people down there for him. Father moves into the new house today, so the carpenter says. The Underwoods are there. The Whittemores went on Sat. The Taiku people are coming this week. Father thinks that in time Sorai will be the summer resort of Korea. Dr. Underwood owns 3 miles of coast-line and lots and lots of land. He is trying to push it and in time will build an auditorium. Wouldn't it be fine if we could have our Annual Meeting there about the last of August? Maybe we will someday. We had rain all last week. Saturday was the Fourth, Pyang Yang celebrated in real patriotic style at the Bible Institute. We had a printed program. The children sang a song about the flag. We all sang "The Star Spangled Banner". The children had 3 acts from history "The Battle of Bunker Hill". They did all the practising themselves, and all the dressing up. The 2nd was the Continental Congress, and 3rd "Betsy Ross and the Flag" Then there was a debate - Resolved that Washington and his men could quiet the English Suffragettes. Mr. Phillips and Dr. Wells were affirmative, Dr. Moffett and Mr. Smith the negative. It was funny. The affirmative won. We had supper too.

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Mrs. Herbert Blair with her 3 little girls came Sat. to Will Blairs, to stay this week. Then they go to Sorai Syen Chun for the summer.

This morning the American mail came; no letters from any of you. A letter came from Mrs. Pitch written on the train and mailed at Northfield, on their way from Maryville. She said she wished they were on their way to Korea. She said it would be a pleasure to see you and Wilbur, but she did not say if they were going to spend the summer there. I can't say how anxious am to hear from you and all about your work, etc. Please do write. God bless and keep you, my child.

Love, Mother.

Sorai Beach, "Bay View Cottage", Korea - July 31, 1914

My Own Dearest Olivette,

Your letter of June 28 and July 5 came yesterday. Mr. Phillips and Mr. Holdcroft came down and brought quite a package of letters. I was so glad to hear from you girls; no letter from Wilbur, but I know he was too busy to write. I am almost sure there is one of your letters that I did not get. The last one was June 17 while you were waiting for an answer from Asbury Park. I have written a long letter to Gertrude in answer to her letter of June 23; she will let you read it. Father and I are very anxious about her.....

If you were only ready now you could go right in the Academy in Iyang Yang. Miss Snook said yesterday if help is not coming she can't go on much longer. She is going to make another earnest plea at Annual Meeting this Fall and if they don't give her someone she will certainly have to quit. She is here at Sorai now getting a rest and having a good time, but she doesn't enjoy the water; she is too afraid to go in deep water. We meet the Underwoods every day; they are lovely people and H.H. (Hollie) is a fine young man, perfectly devoted to his mother. She is so frail. She doesn't look as if she would live a year. She says Horace is going to America next year to take a Bible Institute course and train for teaching. She is so grieved about his smoking; the only bad thing he got in America, she says. He is solid in his faith in the Gospel.

No doubt you have heard from the Hardies about Lera Avison. She was engaged to Mr. Goheen who is in O S U, Columbus; the engagement was broken. The secret of the whole thing is she is worldly and lost her grip on Christ. Her parents are much worried and disturbed. She is not fit for the Mission field, nor for any place. How sad! Oh! Olivette, we pray for you children and think of you a good part of the time. My constant prayer is that you may have a definite Christian experience, and may know Christ in all of His fulness, rooted and grounded in the faith, believe the Bible just as it is, accept every bit of it as the work of God, and not let yourself be influenced by any of these so-called modern ideas. Keep close to Jesus every day, read your Bible and study it well, with the simple child-like faith of these earnest Koreans and you won't get switched off.

If you children expect to be strong in the faith you will have to learn to be able to discern right and wrong, and to be able to say "No". You will be sorry to hear that our dear little Antoinette Blair has been called Home from us. She has not been well for a long time. Dr. Wells thought she had malaria; she was in bed with a temperature of 103 and 104. and then it would go down. She did not get any better but gradually grew worse until last Sunday morning about 3 o'clock The funeral was Monday. The Blair family are coming down here next Monday.

Mr. Phillips and Mr. Holdcroft have telegraphed for their wives to come, and Miss Samuels is coming, so you see Sorai becoming popular.

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Sorai Beach is a beautiful place; a finer and safer bathing place could not be found. Everyone who comes here is enthusiastic about it. Dr. Underwood feels sure there will be an automobile road built here soon and next year he expects there will be a post office. There is a post-office 20 miles from here, so we get mail several times a week but it is not certain. The Whittemores and Miss Snook and Mr. Lampe expect to leave on the boat that is due in the morning. We expect to go home on the next boat which leaves here Aug. 7 or 8. Father will write you about your money and have it ready for your tuition. If you would send your accounts regularly, then we would know how you stand.

Father, Mr. Phillips and Mr. Holdercroft have gone over to Mr. Bruens to play 42. We are having a dreadful rain. It began this morning and continues. This is the third big storm and rain we have had since we came. I must close and write to Wilbur, so each of you will get a letter.

I trust no harm or danger will come from your automobile riding. I won't worry but I am more or less anxious. I know God will care for my children, but you must not be careless. I would write to Aunt Jennie if I had time. Give her my love.

Lots and lots of love and kisses and big hugs,
Mother.

Pyeong Yang, Korea - Aug. 30, 1914

My Own Dearest Girlie,

I am alone. Father is in Seoul, and the girls with Lois and Katherine have gone to the English service. I feel too hot and tired to go, and it is very uncertain whether there will be any. Dr. Wells came home yesterday from Seoul; Lois and Katherine came with him and will stay with us until their mother comes. I am enclosing Father's 2 letters which he has written, the rest have been post-cards. Dr. Wells was the one not voting, of which Father speaks (in Annual Meeting). You can get more from Father's letter than I can tell you, and it is all I know. I was over at the Wells last evening but he did not say much; he was talking war news all the time. He certainly does keep well posted and talked all the time. They said they haven't heard from Scott for 3 weeks. Virginia is a pretty girl, but looks too much as if she had been in a hot-house, so pale and stoops over. She says she has read 24 books through this summer. She is borrowing our Dickens now. She goes to Portland to her aunt next summer. The Wells say they are going to go with Helen and Milton when they have to go to America. The mines are trying to get Dr. Wells; or Dr. Folwell. Dr. Folwell had accepted their offer and was just going to mail the letter when he got a letter from their Board saying they would build his hospital, so he did not accept, but he told Mrs. Bernheisel that after the hospital was built he might go. It seems that Dr. Wells would not accept, but he is going up there right away to perform some operation. They have a doctor but he is a disappointment and will have to go back to America. This is true, that if the evangelistic men went off and neglected their work as Dr. Wells does it could not succeed. How can his hospital, when he is away so much of the time? Miss Campbell resigned and left long ago. He has a Korean nurse there and his Korean staff are on duty all the time, but they must have constant oversight. We see so little of Dr. Folwell. I saw him the other day when we went swimming in the Tae Tong river and he went along. He talks about Florence all the time, and said if he has the money he would have her come out here next summer. He says Florence is getting along fine in school - failed Geometry but made it up. He had all her pictures. She wrote pages and pages about her trip to Johnstown, he said. I seldom see any of the Methodists only at church and prayer meeting, and some of them do not attend very often so I do not see them. Dr. Hall and her friend Mrs. Deming have gone up the river for their vacation. It is rumored that the Womens Hospital is to be closed. Dr. Hall has charge of the Blind School for girls and the mute school for boys; she is nervous and not very well.

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My own dearest Gertrude,

This is Monday morning, 9 o'clock; breakfast and prayers over, the servants all busy. Pung-unie is here to can peaches and pears. The women are washing. Esther is copying her History lesson to make up what she failed in; and she also had to do 8 problems each day all summer. Mary is typewriting her vacation story she is going to send to the "Continent". Lois and Katherine came Sat. p.m. from Seoul with Dr. Wells; they went with their father and mother but were not having a very good time so they came back and will stay with us until Mrs. Blair comes home. The Annual Meeting will probably close tomorrow, then they'll have the Federal Council. On Sat. they are to go to Chairyung for the Korean General Assembly. After that, Father says, he has to go to Seoul for the Bible Committee, Sept 12. So it will be nearly the middle of the month before he gets back.

Our Sunday school teachers' class begins Sept. 9th. School will begin Sept. 14th, one week late, because Mrs Luccock cannot get the dormitory ready before Sept. 7th. The new dormitory is just about finished and is by far the nicest building in our community. It will be modern throughout when the bathroom fixtures are put in. Mr. McMurtrie and his workmen have installed the heating plant. When they tear down Mr. McMurtrie's house and level the yard, it will be one fine big yard, and one of the prettiest places here. Mrs. Luccock is just lovely, and one of the best teachers we've ever had. If she can't get Esther to apply herself and stick to her work and wake up, there is no use to try. Esther is doing better and she's reading very much better, and I think she may be able to go on in the 6th grade with Mary. Mrs. Luccock says the 6th grade is the hardest below High school, so Esther will have to work hard and apply herself.

I am thinking so much about you children these days, because I don't get any letters. But I feel sure some will come very soon. I can't imagine why Wilbur doesn't write; his last letter was sent July 7th. I'm sure some letters got caught in the war in Europe, and have been lost. What a cruel, wicked war! Some think it will go on for years. The Japanese have declared war and besieging the Germans in Tsing-tau the German port in China. What hope is there for them? Some think they will fight to the last, but what can they do? only 3 or 4 thousand of them. As soon as the Japanese declared war the Governor sent for Mr. McMurtrie, as the only man of the station here, and told him about it. But we are all safe here. He said that if any Korean or Japanese insulted anyone to let him know immediately. The Japanese are so busy building roads and improving the country. They have weaving schools for women; and schools to teach women how to make silk from the silkworms and cocoons and other industrial schools. The school in Seoul for the blind where they are fed and clothed. They make all the prisoners work every day, building roads, filling up the nasty, dirty holes in the city, and are now making sewer-tiles just outside the city near the South Gate, a real manufacturing plant for making the big tiles. Someone said they were going to arrest any man who was lazy and didn't work; that would be fine! That will make some of these lazy "yang bahn" get up and hustle. Every bit of filth and garbage is carted clear out of the city every day. The pig-pens are all away now, clear outside of the city gates.

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It can't be wondered at, for the blind would rive me wild. We have some blind boys who are now in the Japanese blind school; they feed, clothe and school them. They come here for money whenever they come back to Pyeng Yang. Poor fellows, it is pitiful to see them. One little fellow was brought in to our Sunday school that we had for heathen children; his parents are still heathen. He came a few days ago to say good-bye and brought me some eggs. Of course he expected to get something so he did not have to go away disappointed.

Mary and I went to the South Gate this morning; she helps with the Primary class and we took an apple apiece for the children - 22 were there. But the attendance was the smallest we have had for a long time. I know the thing to do is work and trust. I will be so glad when our Run-about comes so I can ride. I just can't walk, I get so tired, and a jiriksha really is no pleasure. I am so afraid they will tip me out. We never go in a chair anymore. The past week has been such a busy one, we have been canning fruit. making pease and pear butter, cider for vinegar and bottling grape juice. Pyung-soonie put up over 60 bottles one day. We have such quantites of grapes, and no end to the apples. It is so nice to have plenty to give away. Yesterday I had a carpenter putting in the new cellar window. After he was all through my woman asked me to have him fix our washing machine, which he did and would not take anything for his work. How nice it was to give him a lot of good apples. Our trees are just bending with fruit! Japanese who have agricultural farms come to see our trees. They seem so polite and nice; we always treat them nicely.

Reports come in almost every day of our summer Bible classes which are being held. One union class from four churches had over 390. I am sorry Father has be away so long at this time; he ought to be here planning his work, and getting out over his territory. I am really glad Father is not put on committees. Next Sunday they will all be at Chairfung attending the Korean General Assembly. The Mission Meeting will close on Tuesday or Wed. and then the Federal Council, which doesn't amount to much, I guess. Father has lost all interest in Union, since Union is Federated and only cooperation. The "chamie" (pleasure) is all gone. If there is no heart to heart Union it is useless. You see by Father's letter the result in our Mission in regard to the college. Now we will see what the Board will do. You can depend on it Dr. Underwood will never be reconciled to it. He and Dr. Adams were both away (during Annual Meeting) which made it much easier to settle the college question. Still, Pyeng Yang has always had the majority

I wonder if you will see Mrs. Baird; I am so sorry I have not written her, but I must. I am so anxious to hear from you children. An American mail came in Friday; one letter from Myrtie Wells at Winona Lake, Aug.4. The very last letter we had from Wilbur was written July 7. I can't help but be anxious since I know you are all running the automobile. I can't say how glad I will be when I know you are all settled in school again. Do write Often, Olivette; it is so hard to be out here without you children. I must send you some money for stamps; maybe that will help you be more prompt. You have done the best of you three this summer.

I have written this whole letter and the girls haven't come back yet.
Rom.8:28, II Tim.2:15 Bushels of love and kisses from Mother.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - Sept.7, 1914

My Dear Olivette,

This is Monday morning 7 o'clock. I have been to the station and back this morning. Father has gone to the Korean General Assembly at Chairlung, too the 6 o'clock train. We had a guest over Sunday, Dr. Dearing of Japan. He came as a delegate to the Federated Council at Seoul, and came up here on Sat. and now has gone to ChairYong with Father this morning. We woke up at 5 o'clock and there was some hustling to do, I can tell you. We went in Blair's buggy, and I went along to bring it back. They only had time to put

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a few applies in their valise for breakfast. They will to ChairYong about 9 o'clock. There is an automobile line from Sariwon to ChairYong. It is certainly fine to have good roads and to be able to go in a buggy. When our buggy comes we will surely make good use of it and save our legs, and also our money, for I have to use a jinriksha a lot.

Well, to go back to last Sunday. I wrote to you Sunday evening and to Wilbur and Gertrude on Monday. I wrote to Miss Ayer (at Northfield) last week about changing your schedule of study and not take languages anymore, and that I hoped you would finish next June. I trust you will let everything else go to the wind and master your lessons first. If you are back in anything you make up your mind to make it up. And next Christmas you stay there and make up anything you are behind in. I know you can do it if you just put yourself to it and do it. This is the last year you can be at Northfield. I have sent to a number of places for catalogues - Simmons College, Boston; Pratt Institute, N.Y.C, and Moody Bible Institute. I am writing to Mrs. Jones to ask what she knows about Pratt, and Mrs. Hale to ask about Ames in Iowa, and also to an old friend, Mrs. Kennedy who lives near Ames; I know her daughters went there to school. I am hoping there is a Domestic Dept. in the Moody Bible Institute so you can go there, for that would be the best place for you to live. Mrs. Foulk said there was no dormitory connected with the Pratt Institute that she knew of. I should think Mrs. Will Moody would be a good one to consult and I know she would be glad to help you. I wish you would go to her whenever you need any help. Of course I am glad to help you in anyway I can, and we are going to help you with school, but we want you to have a mind of your own about all these things. You are old enough now to choose for yourself. The letters I wrote were what Father and I talked about, and what we thought. I sometimes think you do not get all our letters. and I am sure we don't get all of yours. I wish we had a system of marking them so we could know, by numbering them somehow. Let's bbgin at New Years and number every letter, then we will know.

The other night when I was going to bed the thought popped into my mind to find out just where Esther and Mary could be in school when we go to America. So I went back, put on my glasses, and worked it all out, and it will be interesting to you children, I'm sure. This is their schedule as I made it out:-

1914-1915	- Esther 13 yrs, Mary 11 yrs,	6th grade
1915-1916	14 12	7th grade
1916-1917	15 13	8th grade
1917-1918	16 14	1st year High school
1918-1919	17 15	2nd year High school
1919-1920	18 16	3rd year High school

We edxpect to come to America that year just as soon as we can get away in the Spring, God willing. Then the girls will finish High school and enter college the year we come back. Now look at the schedule of Wilbur, Gertrude, and yourself:-(first)

1914-1915 Graduate from Northfield in June
1915-1917- in a Domestic Science school
1917-1919 - Bible Institute
1919-20 - a Nursing course, if you want to take it

Then you can be home with us that year and do something else, or rather what the Lord leads you to do, is better to say.

Now for Wilbur -

1914-1918 - college
1918-1921 - Theological Seminary

Finishing the year after we get home and ready to go out when we return.

Monday noon - A big mail came, a letter from each of you. Yours of Sept.28.

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I do not intend you to return the money for the lace; you keep it and use it. I have quite a bit of your money which I have never paid back. Maybe I can pay it back that way. I would like to know if you make anything on it and how much. Never mind about buying ribbons and sashes for the girls; we can get along very well with what we have, but we must be very careful because the buggy will be paid for out of our salary, and it will make it very hard unless we look ahead. The niddy you sent Esther fits fine. I have made her a dress out of Gertrude's cream serge and it is like the picture you sent, with a little plain skirt. I am going to put on green buttons for trimming. I have to make or fix over every dress for her. My! but she does grow fast.

Don't let yourself get lonesome; be brave and work hard and make your last year (at Northfield) the very best year. "Be strong in the Lord".

Rom. 8:28

Lots and lots of love

Mother.

Pyeong Yang, Korea - Oct.4, 1914

My Own Dearest Girlie Olivette,

A letter from Wilbur of Sept.8 came yesterday saying you left on Sept.7 for Northfield. I will be glad when your letter comes saying you are settled and happy at school. I hope the very first thing you did was to get everything straightened out. If you have anything against anyone, you go to that person and make it right. If you expect to have a good year you will have to do it. Everything must be cleared away, no matter how hard it is. Don't ever again say anything against your teachers.....I can appreciate how hard it was to get any studying done at Jennie's; you should have set aside time each day to do it. I do hope you will be happy and have a good year. I am thinking of you so much and covet the very best for you. I want to suggest that you quit taking "sleep-overs". It never sounds good. That doesn't seem to Father and me the way to begin the Lord's Day. Go to bed early on Sat. night and then there will be no need of "Sleep-overs". Be sure and keep every rule of the school, no matter whether they meet your mind or not. You are not there to mend or make rules, but to obey.

Did you see Mrs. Baird after you returned? Dr. Baird told me today that she does not expect to leave America until about Thanksgiving. If she could see how pale he looks she would hasten back as soon as she could. Dr. Baird has surely had a trying time since she left. Dr. Baird gave us such a good sermon today, so helpful. We had communion.

Father is at Nam-su-dong today and will be home the first of next week then he will pick the apples. I go out for my first class at No-ak-kol, Oct.29 to Nov.4; the second class at Ko-chang Nov.19-25, and the third will be about Dec.8, but not sure where yet.

We are in the midst of our Workers' class; I began teaching Daniel yesterday, to a class of about 70. There are over 130 in the two classes. This has been such a sad day, - the Koreans' 8th month, 15th day, when the people sacrifice at the graves of their ancestors. They began going out early this morning, crowds and crowds went out and came back this evening.

Today at the South Gate the attendance was very poor; 3 classes had only 2 each, and 5 teachers were absent; an enrollment of only 163. I just about cried when I got up to give the review. I gave them a talk I hope will do them some good. Just as soon as this class is over I am going to try and spend some time calling in the homes of the Christians.

I have written so much I must close or it will take too much of your time reading it. I do hope you will take time Sunday evening to write to us. Be sure to send that History, "Darius", Mary wants to read it. Esther and Mary want a stamp album, a nice Christmas suggestion.

I can't tell you how much I do love my own dearest girlie.

Lots and lots of love and kisses,

Rom.3:28

Mother

Aug.31, 1914 - con.

So they are making improvements. The water-works are a great blessing to the city. All during this long, long rainy season the people had clear, cool, sparkling water to drink. The death rate surely must be very much less. What a blessing the water is to us! We have 4 faucets in the house now. Our Japanese bath-tub and lavatory are just fine; we take two baths a day! When I send another order to Montgomery Ward Co. I am going to get a spray-bath. We have a faucet in the kitchen, and laundry room. When our heating plant is in, there, we will certainly be comfortable. The cellar for it is all finished. I had the windows (storm-windows) hung on sat. down there so the cellar is light now. We have 10 tons of coal stored ready for winter.

I received a letter from Mrs. Hale saying she was sure the ladies of the Iowa churches would help with the cost of our heating plant. We feel sure the Stamford Church will also pay a part of it. Anyway, we hope to have it. I would rather use rag-carpets and wear print dresses, and be comfortable in the winter. I know we will be when the house is heated all over.

Since I wrote the above, the mail came, a lot of papers, but no letters. Olivette's pictures were sent in an album, and we have been looking at them. I see in the "Independent" you all visited Uncle Doug's in Croton, so you were all well, up to that time. I do trust you will write each week. Do you think it is quite right to neglect writing once every week. When I am so rushed with this and that and have three letters to write to you children, even on Monday morning I sit down and write to you. Well, last evening I was not at all well so I could not write, only to Olivette. I will be so glad when you are settled in school and at work. Be sure to tell me everything.

Bushels of love, with a big hug and kiss,

Mother.

Pyen, Yang, Korea - Sept.7, 1914

My own dearest Girlie,

This is Monday forenoon. We got up at 5 o'clock. I took father to the station to the 6 o'clock train to go to Chairyung to the Korean General Assembly. I got back, had breakfast, wrote to Olivette, went over to Mrs. Gillis' to see a young lady there, a Miss Gilbert who is on her way to Russia to study Russian for a year. It is a little doubtful about going on. I am trying to find someone who will ~~went~~ let Pang Whi-jun go to America with them. I thought if this young lady was going back to America she might take her. Whi-junie is Pang Noksa's daughter and is engaged to a young man in Los Angeles, and she wants to go now. She has her passport.

Then I came home and went to Mrs. Bernheisel's to see Mrs. Adams about letting Dorothy go with Father to Chairyung to see about her eyes. They must see Dr. waiting to have him get Esther glasses. Dr. Baird is going down and will come right back, so it will be such a good chance for Esther to go. School begins next Monday, so she must go this week.. They are getting the dormitory ready and will soon be moving in. It is the finest building, modern throughout.

Sept. 7, 1914 - con.

Mrs. Luccock has such splendid taste and so many good ideas. She is a splendid teacher, too. She says the children have got to do better work this year than they did last year. They will let Esther go in the 6th grade this year, but she has got to work and apply herself. They have new books. The school-rooms are all papered and varnished and fixed up fine. Several new children are coming, - Robert Robb has come. Esther is now reading so much better.

A few nights ago just as I was starting up-stairs to bed, the thought came to me to look up just where the girls will be in school when our furlough is due, and where all of you children will be. So I went back down, got my glasses, and figured it all out, and found it exceedingly interesting. I am going to write it out for you children now, and I'm sure you will do what you can to carry it out., won't you? This is how I made it out for Esther and Mary -

1914-1915	- 6th grade	- Esther, 13 years old, Mary 11 years old
1915-1916	- 7th grade	" 14 " 12
1916-1917	- 8th "	" 15 " 13
1917-1918	- 1st Hi School	" 16 " 14
1918-1919	- 2nd "	" 17 " 15
1919-1920	- 3rd "	" 18 " 16
1920-1921	- 4th "	" 19 " 17

We expect to go on furlough in the Spring of 1920. Esther & Mary will take the 3 years of High School here, and finish the year we are in America. When we return they will enter college that Fall. If we can only carry this out year after year, Esther will finish college in 1923 at 23, and Mary at 21. God giving me health, I am going to do what I can to help them. I can tell you this, they won't read novels if I have my way. If we can only have such teachers as Mrs. Luccock all the time, they can do it.

Now for your schedule. I've worked it out this way: 1914-1916 Preparatory (High School); 1916-1920, college. You finish college the June we come Home to America, and you will be 22, when you graduate. Then the year we are in America you can take music or a Bible course, or Domestic Science, which ever you think you will want, and what ever will best fit you for the Lord's work. Then Wilbur's schedule will be 1914-1918, college; 1918-1921 Theological Seminary, and then he will be ready to go to the Foreign field the year we return to Korea, - if God only calls him to Korea or to China. Olivette's schedule is like this - 1914-1915, Northfield Seminary; 1915-1917, Domestic Science school, 1917-1919, Bible Institute, 1919-1920, a short course in Nursing, and then it would be so nice if she came with us the year we are all in America, ready to go to the Mission field when we go back. Will you do your part to carry your part through and make a success? and become a worker for the Master? I'm sure you will.

I want you to send me all of your grades, from back as far as you can get them, especially the first year you were in Northfield. I have them for last year, and for this year. From now on we are to have all of your grades each term. We are going to keep close in touch with all of your work. We want you to get an estimate of all of your expenses until commencement next June. Do it right away and let us know. Don't forget to send your accounts each month; we are filing them. We know exactly how much money you are spending, and we want to know your expenses at booster, so we can plan on ahead. I want you to write each Sunday evening; make it one of your rules. If you go to Sunday school and church, in the morning, write in the evening to us.

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Don't spend too much time in other girls' rooms, or on the steps here and there, talking about silly things. Don't let them enter your ears; be above it; keep your thoughts pure, and live a pure, holy life. Pray this little prayer, Psalm 139:23,24. Will you, Gertrude, also repeat our Sunday verse, Isaiah 55:13,14 every Sunday morning. Won't you, Gertrude? Do you read your Bible every day? Won't you tell me how the influence of this summer's vacation has left you. Are you as strong as you were when you left school in June? Have you let your light shine for the Master? Sit down and tell me, Gertrude, for I really and truly want to know. I am so anxious that my own dearest little girl will grow stronger and stronger in the Lord every day. I just love you so, I can't tell you how much. I do love my own sweetheart. My heart goes out in prayer for you all the time, and I know that God will take care of you, for it was Jesus who said, "If we abide in Him, and His words abide in us, we shall ask what we will and it shall be done". Now I am asking Him every day and several times a day in behalf of you children, and this is the assurance that I have, that He will take care of you and keep you from the evil. My, but don't I want to see you though!! I must write to Wilbur, so will close. Right from the start apply yourself.

Bushels of love and kisses,

Phil. 1:4, Rom. 8:28

Mother

Thursday -

My own Dearest Girlie,

I am so sorry I have kept Father's letter waiting; I intended to write on Monday, but not one moment could I get for it. I have so much to write, I simply can't put it all in this one letter. I will begin back with last Friday. Father came home on the morning train. I was expecting him in the afternoon. At 4 o'clock we went to Dr. Wells' to an afternoon tea, and to meet Dr. McCune, your "Uncle George". He entertained the crowd for about two hours on his experiences in America. Some of them were so funny, he kept the house roaring with laughter. He went on to Seoul on Saturday, and came back Tuesday, and slept here. He was at Dr. Moffett's for supper. I really had very little chance to talk with him, did most of it while we were eating our breakfast. How the Koreans love him! They just flock after him. The girls and I took him to the train in our Runny-about (buggy), went down and back in 50 min. Then in the afternoon we went again to meet Miss Trissel. She looks just the same and is the same dear Miss Trissel as ever. After that we went to an afternoon tea at Dr. Hall's. Mrs. Baird came Tuesday morning at 4 a.m. I will write on Sunday and tell you all about everything, and answer your letter.

Lots of love, hugs and kisses,
to my own sweetheart,

Mother.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - October 13, 1914

My own dearest Girlie, Olivette,

Your letter of Sept. 13th came Monday. Oh, but I was glad for it, for it seemed so long since you had written. Wilbur wrote me about you. Yesterday I got my first letter from Booster, but none from you-yet, Gertrude yet.

Your letter started out rather pathetic. I was so glad my letter reached you and cheered you up. You must overcome and stop pitying yourself, and not think of yourself and your conditions so much. I am sure it seems lonesome to you for a while, but I feel sure you will have more time and do better work this year. You are old enough to judge about your room-mate, but if I were you I would not room with an unstudious girl. If you ever worked and applied yourself, now is the time, and we feel sure you will.

I can't tell you how glad I am that you passed off "Cicero" and that you are a senior (at Northfield). I do hope and trust you will get along the very best this year. You forgot to send me your schedule; maybe I'll get it in the next letter. I can't tell you how I appreciated your staying at home and writing to us when the other seniors went over to St. Vernon. It is my opinion that it will be well for you to stick close to your work, and go over to Vernon only a few times during the term, for it can't help take so your mind and then you get tired and excited and can't study nearly so well. I know from experience. I think of you so much all the time and pray for you. I know Dad will help you through. Trust him, ask him often to help you, and he will.

I have been so interrupted today I did not get to finish this. Father came home Monday, and has been seeing about the apples. He has then all picked except one tree. We have quantities. The "quang" is full and so is the guest-room. We will have probably 200 yen's worth. We paid Old Yee about 35 yen for watching the trees.

This is Thursday morning. I had to quit writing and go to bed. I spend every evening helping Esther (with her lessons); even though I did help her the fall in three subjects last month. We Esther and I went to see Mrs. Luccock yesterday, and talked it all over with her. We have decided to have both Esther and Mary quit History for a while; the work is too much for them. Mary did not fail but she did not get good grades, and she has to work too hard. The teachers don't seem to realize it, but I feel sure the work in Geography and History is 7th grade work. Last year they had 6th grade work. Of course the teachers won't admit it, but it certainly is that way. Their lessons are long and hard, and Mrs. Luccock only gives five questions in her class, and she is great on tests; which are too much for Esther. They have from 13 to 20 words in spelling for History and Geography every day, besides two regular spelling lessons. So we decided, in order to keep Esther from making a complete failure at the end of the year, to have her leave off the History, for that will give her more time in other lessons. And then she and Mary can make up the History in the next year. Mary is too young to be crowded and was the coldest one being crowded now. If Miss Trissel were here it would be different. I feel sure. But of course we can't say anything. Our children are not the only ones who fail and get low grades. Marion Snarrock got 62 in History, while Esther got 71. But that doesn't make any difference to us. We're looking out for the welfare of our children, their health and the best for them all around.

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Mary loves History of any kind, and I suggest if you want to give them a present anytime send them History books or stories. Books like Pollyanna and the Secret Garden are all right; no one can read either without being helped, for they are certainly helpful stories. I bought four of the Abbott Histories and had them sent to you and Gertrude. I hope you read them. You sent "Cyrus the Great" to us. Mary is now waiting for "Darius". She grows impatient sometimes because it doesn't come. I would suggest that you give them Abbott's Histories for presents after this. We have the first four; they are 50 ¢ each, and will be so welcome by us all. For Father's present send him "Christianity and Anti-Christianity in their Final Conflict" by Samuel Andrews. The Bible Institute Colportage Association, Chicago; it \$1.00. I want "Voices from Babylon" by Seiss. I suggest these, as they are books we want right away, and we will value them highly. I only wish you could read them, too. "Voices from Babylon" is an exposition of Daniel, and it's just great! I thought I would suggest this, and it would make it easier for you

What do you think of staying at Northfield for the holidays? Don't you think it would be good for you to have the time to be quiet and read? It seems to me to be ideal. My, but don't I wish I could have one week of time without interruptions! It gets on my nerves until sometimes I think I can't stand it.

You spoke in your letter about feeling so bad after reading a part of my letter, thinking I could not trust you. I never thought of such a thing. My dear child, of course we feel we can trust you. And that is just the reason we felt we could send Gertrude to Northfield when we did. We have written very plain letters to her, and she answers in a very sweet and good spirit. We feel she will be all right; but she needs right guidance and advice, until she passes over this romantic stage. Jennie's letter was a great comfort to us. I felt sure that Jennie would take a very good attitude about it, and we are so thankful. Wilbur's letter was a comfort, and also Gertrude's and yours. We have distinctly told Gertrude that she must not keep company with the boys while she is in the Preparatory Dept. She must listen to what you say and do her best in school, or something is going to happen. I feel sure she will; she said in her letter that she would. I feel this way, that we are in God's work and have trusted you children to Him, and He will care for you. He will care for Gertrude, and she will come out all right. I want you all to never lose sight of the fact that you are preparing for His service. You children are to take ~~our~~ places in His work. Now is your preparation time; now is your time to work, for the better you are prepared the better work you can do. There will always be a place for those who are well prepared. I can assure you now that those who are effectual workers are those who are filled with the Holy Spirit, all entirely yielded to Him. I thank God every day for His great blessings to us. I am so thankful for this longing to be like Christ, to be pure, to be holy, without which "no man can see the Lord". No, I have not attained. Oh that I had! But the desire is there. I long for, pray for, and am waiting for it, and God is faithful, and will give just as soon as we are able to receive.

So many thanks for Fanny Crosby's latest hymn. Isn't it beautiful! What a sublime experience! The same is ours if we live close to Him as she does. Sometimes I get so happy I wonder what it would be to have any more joy. It is a blessed thought of Jesus Coming, and we should earnestly pray and hope for it.

Pyeng Yang, Korea - at Home Sunday evening
Dec. 6, 1914

My dearest Gertrude,

Tonight we are all sitting around the table writing to our absent ones. This is the first Sunday I have spent at home, I think since September. I have gone over all my work, and remained at home today, as it was my turn to preach in English. We do not get to preach very often, so I try to make my turn when it comes. I drove to South Gate twice; once I took Mother to the church, and then again to get her and bring her back. The girls went along when I went after Mother as they were back from Sunday school. The road into the churchyard is too narrow for our buggy to go in, so we just take Mother down, turn around and come back, and then go after her after Sunday school.

When I am not here our out-side man, Noh, Chay-hong, drives her there in the buggy, and the girls go along, Esther driving.

Your good sweet letter of Nov. 8th came yesterday. How delighted we always are to get your letters! We are all so cheered in knowing you are determined to do good work from the start. My text today was, Luke 18:8, the last clause. It would seem that Christ knew that it would be hard to believe in the "last days", and gave us warning. He let us know that faith more than anything else would be what Jesus would be pleased with, -not money nor wisdom nor influence nor power nor anything else would please Him as much as true faith. The times in which we live seem to fit the Scripture's description, that when He should come again it would be after much departing from the faith, such as we now see in many Christian ranks. I read and expounded II Tim. 3:1-7, and the 4th chapter verses 3 and 4. Also II Peter 3:1-11 and meant to read but did not have time, Matt. 24:4. All these passages if you examine them show how important it is to watch and pray, and to be looking for Christ the King, for He is coming again, for those who are looking for Him. John 14:3. Luke 17:24 tells something of the manner in which Christ will come, that is, suddenly and at once all over the world. Should we at that time be out of touch with Him, we should scarcely hope to be caught up with Him. Thus, Luke 17:31 shows how dangerous it is to be found in the grip of the world, whether it be in being too much absorbed in the world or in any worldly business. We should always be looking for Him and be ready at any moment when He comes. This awful war looks as if the signs of His coming were beginning to appear. I am glad you love to read your Bible, and wish you could get a Sunday school class to teach; it would so help you in many ways. If you would like to do it ask God and He will help you to get a class. It would be perfectly proper for you at some opportune time to suggest to Mrs. Scott that you would be glad to do it.

Now, dearest Gertrude, I want to answer your questions about having dates with the "Korean boys" (missionary sons); well, they are as other boys, no doubt, and good boys. We think that it would be quite proper for them to call at the house on Saturday p.m. just as a friendly call, at which time you could see them in the parlor, if not too frequently, but we do not want you to be making dates with them to go out to lectures, placys, etc. etc. or to be walking with them, or to keep their company alone in the evening. Now there is a good reason for all this. Until you get into college we do hope you will gladly obey in this matter, as it is for your good only. You are getting a good name in the Home, cherish that greatly and be sure to take good care not to lose it. "A good name is better than rubies". I

I go to Taegu for a two weeks Class. God bless you and keep you. and make a great woman out of you who will live to His glory. This is my prayer.

Most lovingly, Father (W.L. Swallen)

Hugs and kisses.

